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HANKOW SEEKING NEW ALLIES.

"OBSCURE UNEASINESS."

Chiang Kai-shek's Return to Shanghai.

LATEST WAR DEVELOPMENTS: INTRIGUE IN NATIONALIST PARTY.

Uneasiness and obscurity are the features of the situation at Hankow, the ruler of which, General Tang Seng-chi—on whom the Nanking Nationalists have declared war—is trying to seek new allies after having successfully ploughed a lonely furrow for some time.

While the Nanking armies are steadily approaching territory under the control of General Tang Seng-chi, reports have come through that the Hankow armies have counter-attacked.

Chinese correspondents record the return of General Chiang Kai-shek to Shanghai from Japan; and it is presumed that matters will be brought to a head in Nationalist intrigue.

POSITION IN HANKOW.

Hankow, Yesterday.

Considerable uneasiness among the Chinese population of Hankow is apparent, but the situation is obscure.

There is some reason for believing that an agreement has been reached between General Tang Seng-chi (commander-in-chief of the Wu-han armies), General Yang Sen (of Szechuan, who is moving down the Yangtze River), and Marshal Wu Pei-fu (who is little more than a name, and has sought sanctuary in Szechuan).

There is also a probability that General Tang Seng-chi is in negotiation for an alliance with the Fengtien Party, of which Marshal Chang Tso-lin is the head. An emissary from Peking arrived here on Wednesday, apparently, to discuss matters.—British Naval Wireless.

HITTING BACK.

Hankow Counter-Attacks on Yangtze.

A cable from Kiukiang (142 miles below Hankow) says that the Hankow armies counter-attacked the Nanking expedition at Kwangtai, which is more than 100 miles below Hankow. The "Kung Sheung Yat Po" adds that the fighting has been heavy.

Nanking despatches give pictures of the progress made by the various armies marching westwards (up the Yangtze) to drive out General Tang Seng-chi.

Old War Scenes.

Places where battles were fought last year between the combined Nationalists and the North-erners have come into the lime-light again.

According to the Nanking intelligence staff, the expedition is not confining itself to the River where gunboats have done their share in harassing the retreating Hankow army. Intentions to cut across country are revealed, the generals in charge hoping to cut General Tang Seng-chi off from his "funk hole" in Hunan.

CHANG KAI-SHEK.

Political Effect of His Return to Shanghai.

As regards General Chiang Kai-shek, the "Kung Sheung Yat Po" suggests that his partisans will urge his re-assumption of the post of commander-in-chief, now that war is being waged against Hankow and the Fengtien Party.

The Nanking correspondent of a local vernacular paper alleges that intrigue is still rife in the Nationalist camp.

Reconciliation opposed.

While there is more than a possibility of the projected Nationalist convention taking active shape (as the preliminary to a new government in place of the present extraordinary council), the "Western Hills" faction is said to be strongly opposing such a step towards reconciliation. One of the leaders of this faction is quoted as claiming that the extraordinary council now functioning in Nanking, having set the latest expedition against the North in operation, will continue

ESCAPE FROM JAIL.

Four Prisoners at Large.

A MAN HUNT.

Reward Offered For Recapture Of Fugitives.

A daring break away from the Victoria Jail was staged by four Chinese prisoners yesterday afternoon.

It is not known when the prisoners made their escape, but their absence was discovered at about 5.30 p.m., when the general alarm was immediately raised, and a large number of police and warders were gathered in a short space of time for the man hunt. A thorough search of the Colony was undertaken by every available man but up to noon today all the four prisoners were still at large. A reward of \$250 has been offered for information which would lead to the arrest of each one of the escaped prisoners.

Warders, both European and Indian, who would be more able to identify the prisoners on account of their duties in the jail, have been out in plain clothes in Aberdeen, Shaikwan, and other outlying districts of the island and the mainland, on the lookout for the escaped men. Notices announcing the rewards have been posted in the principal streets and all the steamer and ferry wharves, and the railway stations. The latter places are also well guarded by plain clothes men.

Descriptions of the four escaped men have also been issued. They are as follows:—
Ho Ju alias Ho So, aged 24 years, a native of Taiping, Taikwan district, who was admitted to the jail on September 14 this year for an offence under the Banishment Ordinance. He had previously served six years from August 21, 1921 for robbery by two or more persons.

Li Pui alias Li Lam, aged 30 years, a native of Lopui, Shamshui, who is serving a sentence of two months for a breach of his convict's licence. He was admitted to the jail on September 14 this year, so that he had only four days more to serve.

Chan Chun-chun, aged 23 years, a native of Kwong-chau-wan who was sent to prison for ten years and ordered to receive 20 strokes for an offence under the Arms Ordinance. He was arrested in connection with the finding of arms on board the s.s. "Hanoi."

Lai Shu-lie, aged 28 years, native district not given, who has been in jail since February 2, 1924, having been sentenced to seven years and 20 strokes for robbery at Yaumati.

A Private Inquiry.
Although Mr. J. W. Franks, Superintendent of Prisons, was in the jail this morning, it was impossible to obtain an interview with him, a "China Mail" reporter being informed that Mr. Franks was engaged in a private inquiry. In any case, it is not probable that an official statement would be issued at the present time as it is understood that the escape of the prisoners will form the subject of an official inquiry.

From information that our reporter was able to glean this morning.

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Other despatches from Nanking mention the use of aeroplanes which bombed an armoured train on the Northern line.

So much having been claimed by Nanking and so little accomplished, one is inclined to think (writes the "China Mail" political correspondent) that much as Nanking wishes to launch another whole-hearted drive, lack of funds and quarrels in the political sphere are proving serious handicaps. On the other hand, Marshal Sun Chuan-fang seems to have reconciled himself to the policy of marking time, a policy which Peking strenuously advocated when he was at the zenith of his last victory, and which he disregarded to his own bitter cost.

"WAIT AND SEE."

An Expert's Views of Christian General.

A little further north, the

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

Li Chai-sum And The Ironsides.

A CHANGE OF ATTITUDE.

Prepared To Back Up His Commands.

No friction can yet be definitely proved to exist between General Li Chai-sum, the Commander-in-Chief at Canton, and the army of 10,000 Cantonese soldiers back from Hankow who are known as the Ironsides.

The Commander-in-Chief has considerably more men, but when the Ironsides arrived in Canton he handed over a good deal of power to them. Now that it is apparent that the Ironsides are incapable of upsetting the Government, General Li is changing his attitude toward them.

Outnumbered & Out-Positioned.
In one or two minor matters—which may only be straws in the wind—General Li has acted as though he is prepared to back his commands. Through difference in political creed and other matters, the Ironsides have placed themselves in an uncomfortable position.

In and around the city of Canton, General Li's units have outnumbered and out-positioned the Ironsides even though the latter were formerly in the majority.

A military department head of which is an Ironside officer is now trying the check military removals and his action is considered as a mild challenge to General Li.

Reinforcements for Canton.
General Li has to thank his colleague, General Wong Shi-hung (of the 7th Army of Kwangsi) for bringing troops back to Canton at a critical moment.

Svatow, Yesterday.
With 6,000 men on board, three Chinese transports have left Swatow for Canton. The men are mostly natives of Kwangsi and belong to the 7th Nationalist Army.—British Wireless.

[Note: These 6,000 men are loyal to General Li and General Wong. They may be stationed at Canton or may be sent against Hankow.]

French Consulate's Land.
A piece of land in Canton city which is stated to be owned by the French Consulate-General has again come under the attention of the Kwangtung Government.

The Commissioner for Public Works has addressed the administration in this connection, mentioning a proposal made some years ago whereby the Chinese Government was to hand over some ground at Yee-sha-tau (the smaller of the two sandbanks or islands off the East Bund) in exchange for this land.

The site is at Wai Oi Road, a busy part of the city. The Commissioner desires to have it converted into a public park, his minute to the Government stressing the advantages of recreation grounds which, he points out, are so extensive in western cities.

The former proposal was that the land be used for a school. Now the Commissioner says that a park is preferable, as it will be opened to all nationalities whereas a school will only benefit the Chinese.

Labour Reorganisation.
Officials have been appointed by Mr. Tse Ying-bak, the Commissioner of Agriculture and Labour, to inquire into labour activities, with a view to improving the lot of the worker.

"Reorganization committees" which were appointed to take over labour union activities in April, following the coup against Communists, are required to report to the Commissioner in three months.

It is not known if the scheme of inquiry is aimed at consolidation of government control over the unions, or is intended to weaken the power of the reorganization committees which comprise Rightists, or moderates. Mr. Tse Ying-bak is a Leftist in political outlook but he has been strict in curbing unruliness in the unions.

Bandits Like Vultures.
Canton has by no means disposed of the latest remnants of bandits and guerrillas in various parts of the province. The trouble in the Hoi-fung and Luk-fung districts (between Biao Bay and Swatow) ended a few weeks ago with the arrival

INDIA'S AFFAIRS.

How the Constitution Won.

UNIVERSITY LECTURE.

Sir F. Whyte On The Defeat Of Non-Co-operation.

The hall of the University was well filled for the lecture yesterday evening by Sir Frederick Whyte "On India."

Among those present were His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, and Mrs. Southern, Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., the Hon. Mr. McI. Messer, and the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., Vice-Chancellor, who presided, in introducing Sir Frederick, spoke as follows:—

"The Press notice of this lecture has proclaimed the fact that Sir Frederick Whyte was appointed by the Crown to be the first President of the Indian Legislative Assembly. The notice also made the point that the reconstitution of the legislature of India by the Government of India Act of 1919, a reconstitution which brought the Legislative Assembly to birth, was one of the features of that epoch making decision with regard to India at which the British Parliament arrived at the close of the Great War—I refer to the decision, that without further delay or any more discussion, a long step should at once be taken towards the Self Government of India. I don't know what Sir Frederick is going to say, but however silent he may try to be with reference to his own achievements in India, he will, I anticipate, find it difficult to avoid bringing out two points.

Vice-Chancellor's Tribute.
The first point is, that he failed to get the Legislative Assembly working as a responsible legislative body, the whole purpose of the Government of India Act of 1919 would have been most seriously prejudiced. The second point is, that the Legislative Assembly was not only not working but, that even during its first session it was a distinct success. But what Sir Frederick Whyte's modesty will probably not allow him to emphasise is the extraordinary difficulties under which the New Constitution of India was launched. At the close of the Great War India was in a state of explosive excitement. The early summer of 1919 saw the outbreak in the Punjab. The Hindus were suspicious and the Moslems had been deeply stirred by various things that had then recently happened in the Near East and Turkey. All sorts of Indian people, actuated by a diversity of motives, had rallied round Mr. Gandhi and Mr. Gandhi proclaimed that the reforms were a fraud and a sham and that all patriotic Indians should have nothing whatever to do with the working of them—no one should offer himself as a candidate for any of the Indian or provincial Legislative bodies, no one should even vote at the election. Many at the time obeyed Mr. Gandhi, and those who did come forward to sit in the new Legislatures did so at the risk of considerable unpopularity and loss of face.

I want to emphasise this, because it seems to me to be vital to a true appreciation of the Indian Political situation as it was in 1920 and as it has since developed. I was in India at that time. Frederick Whyte was then merely a name, but I appreciate the sympathy, the patience and the tact with which our lecturer was then handling a very delicate situation and as I now look back over the events of those troubled years in India my appreciation grows.

The Lecture.
In order to understand the position in India as it was to-day, said Sir Frederick, it was necessary to examine the background of the country on which the pre-

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of pro-Canton troops. The garrison has been reduced again and only a handful of guards are in charge. Reports from this locality which has been subject to horrible excesses, are disquieting, as a force of over 1,000 bandits and Communists of Farmers Corps are hiding in the adjacent heights ready to swoop down at the first opportunity.

ARMISTICE DAY.

AN EXPRESSION OF REMEMBRANCE.

LOCAL CELEBRATIONS.

Cenotaph and Cathedral Observances.

FLANDERS POPPIES AN EFFECTIVE REMINDER OF SACRIFICE.

All classes of the community combined this morning in a moving expression of the Colony's feelings on this the ninth anniversary of the termination of hostilities on the Western front.

The spirit of the day received notable expression at the service at the Cathedral, both in prayer, hymn and simple ritual, whilst the simple, almost austere, ceremony at the Cenotaph made a deep impression on the many hundreds present.

"LEST WE FORGET."

From early morning, ladies, assisted by others of the younger generation, were on duty at various stations in Hong Kong and Kowloon and such was the vigilance of the charming vendors that few buttonholes were unadorned with the flaming Poppy, the token of remembrance and a warning "lest we forget."

At the Cathedral.
The first public observance was at St. John's Cathedral at 9.45 a.m. when in the presence of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (accompanied by Capt. White, A.D.C., and Capt. Forster, Private Secretary), Mrs. Southern, H.E. the Officer Commanding, Major-General C. C. Luard, Col. Serignson Brooke, and members of the Legislative and Executive Councils, a service of dedication and remembrance was conducted by the Rev. H. V. Copley Moyle, assisted by the Rev. N. V. Halward, the Rev. Mr. Cannell, the Rev. G. F. Stopford, C.F., the Rev. G. E. S. Updell, the Rev. W. W. Rogers, the Rev. C. B. Shann, the Rev. W. H. Hewitt, and Major (the Rev.) L. Webb, Chaplain to the Forces in China, who was the speaker.

Prior to the service a strong body of Ex-Active Service men and members of the British Legion had marched to the Church under Lt.-Col. F. Halsey Bell and Lt.-Col. G. K. Hall Bruton.

There were also present detachments from the Queen's Regiment, the King's Own Scottish Borderers, Royal Navy, Royal Marines, the Royal Air Force and other military units.

After the service, the Last Post and Reveille were sounded, the National Anthem sung and after the giving of the Blessing, the Choir and Clergy, followed by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government and the congregation proceeded to the War Memorial where His Excellency laid a wreath on behalf of the community.

The collection taken during the service was for St. Dunstan's Home for Blind soldiers and sailors.

AT THE CENOTAPH.

Impressive scenes were witnessed at the Cenotaph where a larger crowd than ever before assembled to pay tribute to the memory of those who died in the service of King and Country.

His Excellency, accompanied by Capt. White, A.D.C. and Capt. Forster, Private Secretary, arrived at 10.40 attired in full levee regalia and was joined at the southern position facing the Cenotaph by Sir H. C. Gollan, Sir Joseph Kemp, Sir Shou-son Chow, the Hon. Mr. McI. Messer, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, the Hon. Mr. H. T. Jackson, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, His Honour Mr. Justice J. R. Wood and Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

Detachments from various regiments in the Colony, the Volunteer Defence Corps, St. John's Ambulance Brigade, Ex-Active Service Men's Association, British Legion, Girl Guides, Boy Scouts, Consular Service, R.A.O.B., Mercantile Marine and Old Comrades Association Royal Marines were drawn up around the Cenotaph in the form of a hollow square with pipers from the K.O.S.B. at the Western side, the band of the K.O.S.B. at the North and buglers from the Queen's at the East.

The ceremony began with the playing by the pipers of "Flowers

of the Forest" followed by the "Last Post" from the buglers. Hardly had the echoes died away when the gun sounded from Murray Parade Ground, marking the commencement of the two minutes observance.

After the solemn observance, rendered the more so by the largeness of the attendance and the representative nature of the military units, the "Reveille" was sounded by the buglers, and the assembly joined in the singing of "Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past," played by the band.

His Excellency then laid a wreath on behalf of the Colonial Government followed by Lt.-Col. Hayley Bell and Lt.-Col. G. K. Hall Bruton for the E.A.S.M.A. and British Legion and various other representatives from the Navy and Army and other organisations represented.

POPPY DAY SALES.

Hong Kong And Kowloon Workers.

The sale of poppies and the collection of funds for Earl Haig's fund for disabled ex service men was again organised by a sub-committee of the Hong Kong branch of the British Legion. The Secretary of this committee was Mr. Arthur Piercy and he was assisted by Mrs. Bond, Messrs. W. Brackenridge, J. E. Hancock, W. Gordon Leask, and G. W. Sewell.

The ladies selling poppies on the Hong Kong side were: Miss Harston & Miss W. Harston; Miss Carothers; Miss Harris-Walker & Miss Joy; Miss Hazelard & Miss Stubbing; Miss Gubbay; Mrs. Green; Miss Ellaby; Miss A. Cooke & Miss D. Hynes; Mrs. Blackwell & Miss Jean Blackwell; Mrs. Sheldon; Miss J. Weller; Miss M. Addison & Miss A. Steele; Miss J. Dunnett; Miss Dunn; Mrs. T. E. Pearce & Mrs. Griffin; Mrs. J. Whyte-Smith; Miss E. O'Hagan & Miss B. Steele; Mrs. Cushman; Mrs. Lynch & Mrs. Lewis; Miss P. Hynes; Miss A. Hynes; Miss B. Spencer; Miss D. Horsford; Mrs. Cranfield; Miss D. Booker & Friend; Miss Fothergill; Mrs. Murdoch & Master Murdoch; Miss Wells & Miss Paget; Mrs. Piercy & Mrs. Gray; Miss Farrow Piercy & Mrs. Gray; Mrs. Grossman & Mrs. Marcella; Mrs. Chubb & Mrs. Syme Thomson; Mrs. Hornell & Mrs. Nancy Hornell; Mrs. Sandes & Mrs. Bennett; Mrs. Darby & Mrs. Campbell; Miss Bird; Mrs. D. Day; Mrs. May; Miss Stevenson; Mrs. Booker & Mrs. Bentley; Mrs. Byrne & Mrs. Simpson; Mrs. Alexander; Mrs. Farrar; Miss Burage & Miss M. Burage; Miss M. Ho & Miss S. Ho; Miss H. Hunt & Miss T. Chao; Miss N. Rapp & Miss L. Rapp; Miss N. Zimmermann & Miss C. Lam; Miss P. Chao & Miss L. Chao; Mrs. Stephens; Miss Stephens; Miss L. Elias; Miss L. Frith; Miss R. Perry; Miss Foggin; Master Brarley.

In Kowloon Mrs. F. J. Easterbrook was in charge of the sales and Mr. F. H. Hunt kindly lent the Y.M.C.A. as her headquarters. She was assisted by Messdames J. H. Hunt, J. H. Donahorne, C. Crofton, and Mr. Easterbrook Chavallier. J. M. Alves, the Rev. G. E. S. Updell, and Mr. J. F. V. Ribeiro helped to get sellers and the following ladies sold poppies:

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E. A. LEGGATT,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 10th November, 1927.

WATER SUPPLY.

Storage of water in Reservoirs on November 1, 1927:—
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

Tytam	1926	1927
Tytam Byewash	339.12	334.45
Tytam Intermediate	11.76	3.02
Tytam Tui	105.90	105.90
Wong Nei Chung	1,406.98	1,335.00
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Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of October.

Consumption	1926	1927
Estimated population	285.89	304.94
Estimated population	405,900	416,220
Consumption per head	20.6	23.3

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Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

Kowloon Reservoir	1926	1927
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	351.63	327.75
Reception Reservoir	100.80	100.80

Total 452.43 428.55

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of October.

Consumption	1926	1927
Estimated population	75.64	101.04
Estimated population	157,300	162,340
Consumption per head	16.1	20.00

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SOCIETY.

ANNUAL BALL
Wednesday, 30th November, 1927,
at 9.30 p.m.

MEMBERS and GUESTS are reminded that PRACTICE DANCES for St. Andrew's Ball will be held at the City Hall, on TUESDAY, 15th instant, and TUESDAY, 22nd instant, from 5.30 to 7 p.m.

It is requested by the Committee that no children be brought on these occasions and that Dancing shoes be worn by all Dancers.

Members who have not yet sent in their lists of guests are requested to kindly do so as soon as possible.

E. M. BRYDEN,
Joint Hon. Secretary,
c/o Lowe, Bingham & Matthews,
Hong Kong, 10th November, 1927.

FANLING HUNT.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the AUTUMN MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1927 (weather permitting) may be obtained from Dr. F. Pierce Grove, The Polo Club, Hong Kong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at noon on Saturday, November 19, 1927.
Hong Kong, 10th November, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the EIGHTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 26th November, 1927 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 O'CLOCK NOON on Tuesday, 15th November, 1927.
Hong Kong, 8th November, 1927.



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BRITISH SCIENTISTS.

DARWIN'S HOME FOR THE
NATION.

MR. BROWNE'S OFFER.

Leeds, Sept. 6.
The General Committee of the British Association this evening empowered their president (Sir Arthur Keith) to accept with gratitude the offer of Mr. Buckton Browne, of Wimpole-Street, to purchase Downe House, the home of Darwin, for the nation. Dr. Browne read the appeal made by Sir Arthur Keith in his presidential address for help so that the home of Darwin might be preserved for the nation, and he immediately telegraphed to Sir Arthur Keith his offer to make himself wholly responsible for this gift. His motive was to allow future generations to see Darwin's home, which with its estate, might otherwise have passed into the hands of the builders. The cost, together doubtless with some endowment fund, is said to amount to from £12,000 to £15,000. Dr. Browne has made the condition that no other contributor is to be asked to share the cost with him. The council is appointing a committee to consider details.

Distinguished Career.

Mr. George Buckton Browne, F.R.C.S., F.S.A., the donor, is the well-known surgeon who retired from practice in 1909. Born in 1850, he received his medical education at University College Hospital, where he won the Lister Gold Medal in clinical surgery, as well as medals in chemistry, anatomy, and midwifery. He was admitted a member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in 1874 and for 14 years acted as assistant to Sir Henry Thompson. He has published "Twenty-Five Years' Experience of Urinary Surgery in England," as well as several valuable papers on subjects connected with urinary surgery. He is an enthusiastic collector, and his house at 80, Wimpole-Street contains an interesting assembly of articles of vertu.

In offering to buy Downe House for the Council of the British Association and to establish a fund for its perpetual upkeep, Mr. Buckton Browne is giving practical expression to his profound admiration for the work of the great naturalist. He considers that, the house in which evolution was cradled should be as reverently preserved as Shakespeare's birthplace at Stratford. It is not known at present what sum will be necessary for the realisation of his wish, but it is thought that it may amount to £15,000.

Mr. Buckton Browne has given the Council of the Association to understand that he would prefer that the house should be restored as nearly as possible to its condition when Darwin lived there. Some of the furniture which he used is still in the possession of members of his family and this, Mr. Buckton Browne suggests, might be supplemented with other furniture and pictures of the period. When the house and garden have been restored, the donor would wish to see them opened without charge to visitors, who could then be shown the naturalist's study and laboratory and living rooms much as they were when he used them. The donor has also expressed the wish that some medical man of slender means and good record should be appointed as custodian of the house.

It has been suggested by Sir Arthur Keith that out of the endowment fund money should be spared for a prize to be given every second year for the best contribution to biological knowledge. This prize would be awarded by the Council of the British Association, and known as the George Buckton Browne Prize. Downe House is the property of Professor Francis Darwin, and is at present leased to Miss Willet Ram, who has kept a school for girls there. The school is now about to be moved to Aldeburgh, in Suffolk, and the house sub-let to a tenant. After the death of Darwin in 1882 Mrs. Darwin continued to reside at Downe House until 1892, and it was afterwards leased to Miss Willis, whose school, with about 120 pupils, was later removed to Newbury, in Berkshire.

The last full day's proceedings of the Leeds meeting of the British Association have ended satisfactorily. The arrangements made by the City and University have been extremely convenient, and many of the papers and discussions have been of value. There is general impression of an arduous, overcrowded, and somewhat flat meeting.

The Section of Mathematics and Physics, always the most comprehensive, broke itself into three divisions, two of which dealt with technical communications respectively on physics and on the theory of numbers, while the third joined with the Geologists and Botanists in a discussion of the climates of the past geological ages, a subject of high interest to many branches of science. The Chemists were

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wholly technical, but a paper by Dr. Butler dealt with one of the more recent fields in which chemistry approaches physics on the one hand and biology on the other—what happens in the interfaces of a colloid solution in the presence of an electric field. The Zoological Section was depleted, as many of the members preferred the discussion on Climates of the Past, which had a direct bearing on the distribution of fossils, to the minor items on their own programme, although the paper on Economic Entomology by Dr. Munro was useful. For the same reason the Geographical Section had small audiences for several papers.

The Economists and Psychologists united for a well-attended but rather theoretical discussion as to whether modern social status corresponds with an innate or a merely "environmental" difference in physical and mental character. The Engineers discussed internal combustion engines, pumps, and driving-belts, and Mr. Borlase Matthews made a contribution to the causes of agricultural depression by arguing that farms could not be commercially successful until they turned their labourers into electrical robots.

The Anthropological Section considered prehistoric pottery, the overlap of the Bronze and Iron Ages, the pre-history of Scotland, and the results of excavations on a pre-historic site near Stonehenge. In the Physiological Section some interesting models and new apparatus were exhibited and discussed. The subsection of Forestry discussed with hope the possibility of using bamboo as a source of the raw material for "newsprint." Education devoted its session to school examinations, and in the section of Agriculture a discussion on "Soil Surveys" was opened by a very interesting paper by Sir John Russell, head of the Rothamsted station.

In the afternoon honorary degrees were conferred by the University, and in the evening there were two concurrent events. Sir Oliver Lodge gave a lecture to the general public on "Energy," and the University of Leeds gave a reception and conversation to the members of the Association in the University buildings.—The Times.

FRENCH TROOPS.

ARRIVE IN
HANKOW.

One hundred and sixty French colonial troops arrived in Hankow on October 30, and making their headquarters at and drill ground at the municipal buildings and courtyard adjoining the French Fire Station, will remain in Hankow throughout the winter.

These troops are under the command of French officers, and are a fine appearing and extremely well equipped company. They came on the s.s. "Foyang" and their parade through the streets from the steamer to their headquarters showed them to be a snappy, smart and well trained outfit, says the "Herald."

They come to this city from Tientsin and are to replace the forces on the large French men-of-war which will be leaving for down river very shortly on account of the decreasing water level.

RICH COOLIE.

OWNS SOME REAL ESTATE
IN SHANGHAI.

CHARGED WITH STEALING
FROM WHITEWAYS.

The "Shanghai Mercury" of Nov. 5 reports:—

Two Chinese, employed by Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co., were sentenced to three and six months' imprisonment, respectively, on a charge of being concerned in the larceny of about \$300 worth of property from the complainant store.

The case came up before Judge Yao and Deputy Stevens, at the Special Provisional Court, this morning.

D. S. Bebenin testified that the accused were arrested yesterday on information received. The principal in the alleged crime, one Lieu, a coolie, also in the employment of complainant, is not in police custody; for his arrest, D. S. Bebenin applied for a warrant, which was issued.

It appeared the coolie, Lieu, used to steal a quantity of articles from the store, which he asked the present accused to keep in the engine room, to be finally removed to his home every Saturday.

Mr. D. Bowen, who is in charge of the Men's department of the complainant's store, gave evidence on behalf of the firm. He stated that on being informed by the chief clerk about the petty pilfering in the firm, he searched the room, occupied by the two accused, and found the property, a quantity of underwear, a Mauser pistol and a piece of silk, concealed in a corner. In addition, he also found several title deeds owned by the first accused, which he produced to show that the accused made his money through illegal means. He stated that the first accused, who earned about \$30 to \$40 a month, could not afford to purchase real estate.

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Hitherto most of the boats (except the fleet of the Steamboat Co.) left Hong Kong at night and sailed from Canton in the morning.

Now the "Tung On" and "Sai On" leave Hong Kong at 11 p.m. and Canton at 5 p.m. The Steamboat Co.'s night boats leave Hong Kong at 12 midnight and Canton at 4 a.m. The other river steamers leave Hong Kong between 10 and 11 p.m.

SURVEY BEACONS.

POSITIONS OF MARKS LAID BY NAVY.

The following notice to mariners has been issued by the local authorities on the instruction of the Navy, dated November 9:—

It is hereby notified that because for survey purposes have been laid in the following positions:—

- (a) Lat. 21° 52' 5" N. Long. 113° 44' E.
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CHINESE DECK PASSENGERS

The total number of Chinese deck passengers entering into Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 1,711.

MARINE COURT.

At the Marine Court yesterday before Commr. G. F. Hole, Kwok Fo-kan, the master of a passenger boat, was charged with a breach of licence in carrying 12 boxes of gramophone records, not being passengers' luggage. Accused pleaded guilty and was fined \$10 with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment.

NEW REGISTRATION.

A change of name is registered in the arrival from Macao in ballast of the s.s. "Hangchow," under the Chinese flag, late "Kwong Fat Yuen."

Dangerous goods manifested yesterday included 2,273 petroleum products for Hong Kong and 5,678 for ports beyond, by the American steamer "Pawlet" from Los Angeles and San Francisco. The vessel is discharging at the Laichikok installation of the Standard Oil Company.

PIRACY SUSPECTED.

FALLACIOUS REPORT BY S.S. "TAI SZE-MA."

On the arrival of s.s. "Tai Sze-ma" yesterday, it was reported that the s.s. "Yan On," from Kwong Chau-wan was sighted in suspicious circumstances off St. John's Island, with a number of small craft in the vicinity, adding the suspicion that the vessel had been pirated.

The "Tai Sze-ma" was unable to render any assistance and reported to the local authorities immediately on arrival.

The "Yan On" arrived during the afternoon and in reply to those boarding stated that at no time was there any suspicion of piracy and the vessel had not been delayed in any way.

SINGAPORE DOCK.

FOURTH SECTION LAUNCHED.

London, Nov. 10. The fourth of the seven sections of the Singapore floating dock has been launched at Wallsend (on the Tyne). It is expected that the remaining three will be launched this year.—Reuter.

DANISH BUILDING.

IMPORTANT HOME AND FOREIGN ORDERS.

Danish shipyards have secured a considerable number of new orders during the present year and the consequent great activity has been steadily increasing. During the first spring months a great many repair orders were put through, the yards working at high pressure and, as soon as the vessels of the mercantile marine had thus completed their annual survey, the yards turned their full attention to the orders on hand. In the first three months of the year these already represented more than 12,000 gross tons and, at the beginning of the second quarter, over 44,500 gross tons. This latter figure included 10 tank motor ships, 14 cargo motor ships, one motor trawler and five steamships, states the Danish Foreign Office Journal. Some of the ships ordered were of large dimensions, varying from 7,000 or 8,000 to over 10,000 tons.

Foreign Orders.

By no means all the orders were from Danish shipowners; many of them have been placed by foreign companies, Norway especially having placed not a few contracts, whilst both France and Australia are among the customers of Danish shipbuilders. During the course of 1926-27 Denmark has built several large, modern vessels for the latter continent. Burmeister & Wain Engineering and Shipbuilding Company of Copenhagen, who not only build ships but also the Diesel engines which are being used as propelling power to an increasing degree, have naturally secured a large part of the many orders, which are otherwise distributed among most of the large Danish yards, such as the Copenhagen Floating Dock and Shipbuilding Company which, before it was recently absorbed by Burmeister & Wain, had orders on hand for several Diesel motor ships and steamers, and also the shipyards at Odense, Nakskov and Elsinore.

The leading Danish yards have thus reached a degree of occupation this year which has made such a utilisation of plant, capital and labour possible that shipbuilding is not only profitable but has been in a position to cheapen production; in this industrial branch Denmark is thus improving her competitive ability on the international market.

Increasing Trade.

That Denmark has already won a good position among the countries who supply the world with tonnage is to be seen from the latest statistics published by Lloyd's Register; these statistics comprise the first two quarters of 1927 and give the following figures of the tonnage commenced or ordered in the various countries:—

1st Quarter 2nd Quarter	
Gross Tons	
England	579,839 487,112
Germany	183,669 109,889
Denmark	12,075 44,630
Holland	21,446 41,110
Sweden	81,920 19,600
Other countries	117,918 121,474
Total	946,865 778,615

Under "Other countries" in the second quarter are included as the largest: U.S.A. with 26,770 tons, Italy with 22,420 tons and France with 20,644 tons.

Thus Denmark occupies a leading position in the world of shipbuilding with her 44,630 tons, only yielding pride of place to England and Germany. Furthermore, Denmark and Holland are the only countries shown in the summary who can point to an increase in the tonnage ordered from the first to the second quarter. And what is more, as far as Denmark is concerned it is already established that the third quarter too will be satisfactory as regards new orders.

JAPANESE CAPTAIN.

RELEASED AFTER TIENTSIN ARREST.

While Captain Iwafchiro Idaka, the manager of the Japanese shipping firm of Messrs. Tung Shing and Co., Ltd., was on his way back from the golf links on Friday morning at about half past seven, and on nearing the Hotung side of the old International Bridge he saw the Japanese steamer "Yachiyo Maru," for which his firm are the agents, getting into difficulties while shifting from the Hotung side of the river to the French Bund as her head line which was close up to the International Bridge was likely to carry away the floating pontoon belonging to the Taku Naval Dock. He, therefore, alighted from his ricksha and shouted out to the crew of the "Yachiyo Maru" to drop anchor and slack the wire so as to avoid any damage to the pontoon.

Wind Stops Order.

Unfortunately, owing to the strong wind Captain Idaka's shouts were not heard by the men on board the "Yachiyo Maru," but when the men on the pontoon heard the shouting they came over to the Captain and commenced to argue and abuse him. He, therefore, got into his ricksha with the intention of returning to his office which was close by, but one of the men from the pontoon dressed in the uniform of an employee of the Taku Naval Dock prevented him from going away and called the police.

Taken to Police Station.

As Captain Idaka speaks Chinese he explained what he was doing and that he was giving the necessary orders to the crew on the "Yachiyo Maru" to slack the wire ropes and thus prevent any damage to the pontoon. His explanations, however, proved of no avail, and he was forcibly taken to the police station in the Third Special Area where he immediately got into communication with the Japanese authorities, and at ten o'clock Japanese police officers arrived on the scene, but it was only after strong protestations had been made by the Japanese Consulate that Captain Idaka was allowed to go free.

No Apologies.

No charge was made against Captain Idaka, and after the arrival of the Japanese officials the chief of the police of the Third Special Area said that this was a matter for the harbour authorities to deal with and not the police. No apology for wrongful arrest was, however, tendered.—"N. C. Star."

WOMAN PIERMASER.

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MOREA	10,953	7th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	7th Jan.	Straits & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	21st Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,930	4th Feb.	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,114	18th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles & London
*KHIVA	9,135	10th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KASHMIR	8,995	17th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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It is remarkable to recall that West Highland trade claimed the attention of steamboat owners in the earliest days of the industry, for the first steamer, Comet I., launched in 1812, was in 1819 placed on the route to Fort-William via the Crinan Canal, and did the double trip weekly. She came to grief in the vicinity of Crinan in 1820, and in the following year her place was taken by Comet II., which came to a disastrous end off Gourock in 1825.

In the 20's and 30's of last century a number of boats, variously owned, were occupied in the West Highland trade, and among other owners were Messrs. G. and L. Burns, who had great ambitions then with regard to Clyde steamer business. To attain their end they made a sweeping reduction of fares, but apparently the result was not satisfactory, for about 1850 they decided to confine their energies to deep-sea traffic and sold off their West Highland boats to Messrs. David Hutchison and Co. Mr. Hutchison had been a clerk in the office of Messrs. Burns, and there were also family connections. Fifty years ago the Hutchison business was acquired by Mr. David MacBrayne, and is still being carried on under that world-famous name.

Veterans of the Fleet.

The individual units of the MacBrayne fleet are familiar as household words in the Western islands and further afield. Included in it are the two oldest passenger steamers plying for hire in British waters. These are the Glengarry and the Glencair. The Glengarry was built by Smith and Roderick in 1844, and (as the Edinburgh Castle) plied between Glasgow and Kilmun in her early years. She is now on the Caledonian Canal. The Glencair was originally the Windsor Castle, and was built by Tod and McGregor in 1845 for the Rothsay trade. Afterwards, she was renamed the Mary Jane, and latterly Glencair.

A remarkable feature of the MacBrayne fleet was the succession of three Iona's, all built by the well-known firm of J. and G. Thomson. The first Iona was put into commission in 1855, and was on the Glasgow-Ardaraigh run for seven years, when she was acquired for blockade-running during the American civil war. But she never got there. In October 1862, she had adjusted compasses in the Gareloch, and was crossing to Gourock Bay without lights when a new boat—the "Chanticleer"—which was returning after doing trials, ran into her and sank her. Tradition says she still lies at the bottom of the Firth opposite Port Matilda.

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The Iona, third of her name, which we all know, is a product of the year 1864. In preparation for her blockade-running, the second Iona had been stripped of deck, saloons, and cabin fittings, and these were transferred to the third of the name. In some respects the Iona, with which we are now dealing, was an epoch-making boat. She was the first steamer to be equipped with the Chubburn bridge telegraph communicating between the bridge and engine-room. This notable change from the old-fashioned knocker was made in 1873. In the same year she was equipped by Messrs. Bow, McLachlan and Co., with the first steam-steering gear. In her birth-year she was commanded by Captain McGowan, who had sailed her name predecessor, and who was succeeded by Captain John McGow, afterwards the first skipper of the Columbia. Her first pursuer was Alexander Paterson, afterwards the doyen pursuer of the MacBrayne fleet, and one of the best-known figures in Clyde steamer life for many a day.

In the days of the writer's boyhood the Iona was more than a boat; she was a fetish. For over a dozen years the Iona held pride of place in the tourist and excursion traffic between Glasgow and Lochfyne, but there came a rude shock in 1877 when a new firm of owners put the first Lord of the Isles, built by D. and W. Henderson, on to the Glasgow-Inverary route, and re-established the tour via Loch Eck and Strachur.

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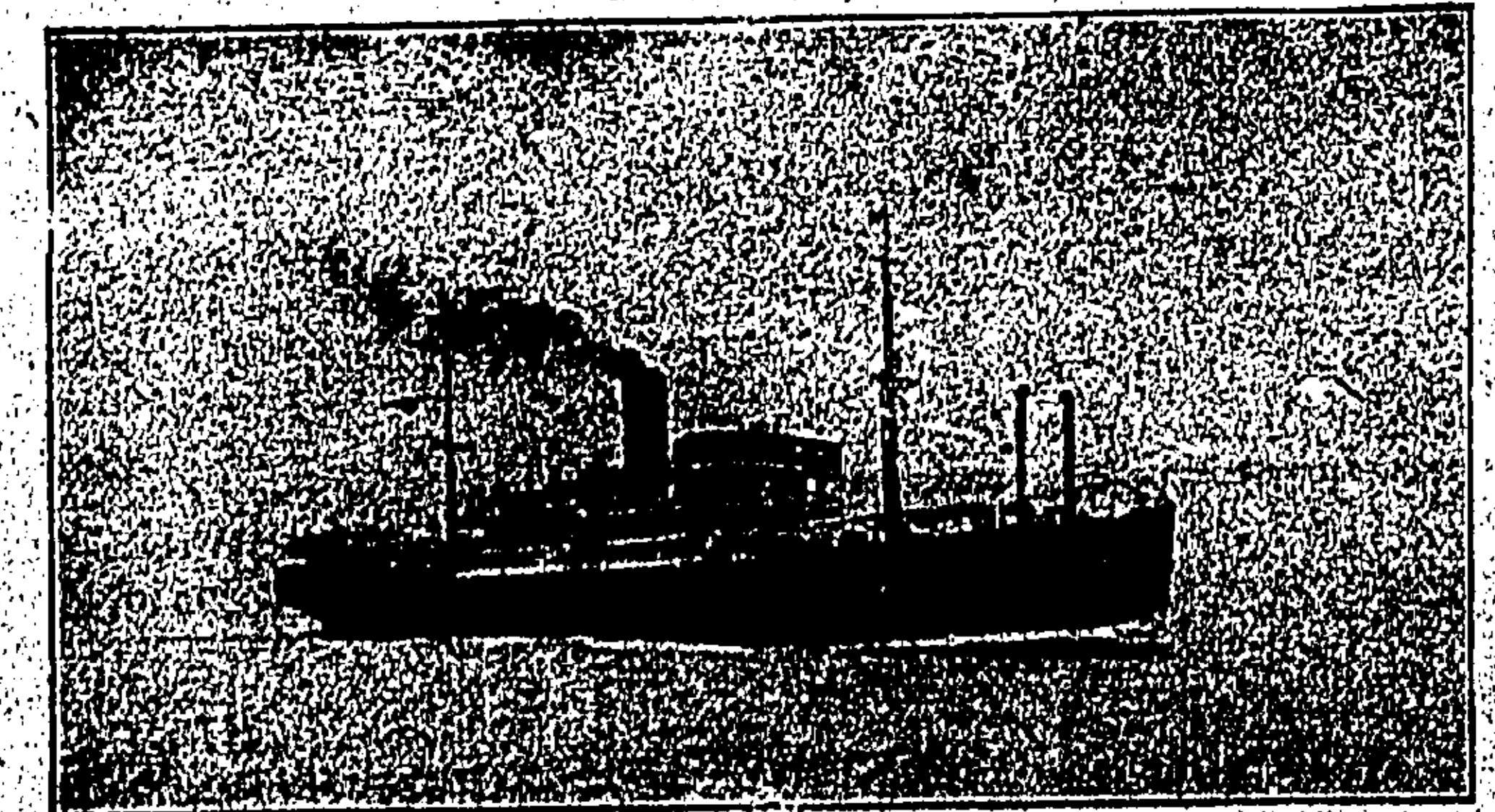
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ARMISTICE DAY.

"Armistice Day" is a "Day of Remembrance" in the Calendar of the Empire. On it, nine years ago, there ceased to pour forth in unextinguished measure the blood of the sons of Empire, shed in the cause of our liberties and our safety, and of freedom and right throughout the world. The day unites, in sad and solemn memories, and also in strong sentiments of pride and love, the heart of a mighty realm with its most distant extremities. "Armistice Day" is a word to conjure with; it has become part of the Empire spirit, an inseparable element of the wonderful legacy of duties and responsibilities that has descended to us from the past. There is no evidence that it is passing out of remembrance, or that its significance is being diminished by time. All over the Empire, the tributes paid to the honour and glory of "the beloved dead" appear to become annually more spontaneous and universal.

This Colony is not one whit behind the other parts of the Empire in observing the "Day of Remembrance." Here homes have been darkened, life to many has been embittered, the optimism of many an individual before 1914 has been transformed into a pessimism that not all the precepts and counsels of the theorists can shake. True, these realise that the sacrifice made by their beloved ones has not been in vain. They appreciate to the full all that that sacrifice has meant to the Empire. With the passing of the years, it may be that some of the earlier sorrow has been assuaged by time, the great healer, but on this day of days they cannot but look backward with a heavy sigh, regretful that it was ever necessary to make the supreme sacrifice, yet nevertheless rejoicing that in giving

their sons and their relatives they gave of their own life's blood for the sacred honour of an Empire's bond. The spirit of Armistice Day will remain though a new generation springs up to whom the sorrows of the War are unknown. In that spirit will the Empire and all its sons and daughters go on with the great work of Locomotive that is the most natural complement of Armageddon.

BARON WEDDED.

CEREMONY IN ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH.

St. Joseph's Church, was the scene yesterday of the wedding of Baron Baudouin Guillaume, a Belgian financier who is on a tour of the Far East, and Madame Philippon, who arrived in the Colony from Belgium by the Messageries Maritimes liner "Porthos." Baron Guillaume is Inspector of the well-known financial institution of the Credit Foncier d'Extreme Orient and is the brother of the present Belgian Envoy Plenipotentiary to Peking.

Bishop Valtorta officiated at the ceremony. The bride was given away by M. C. Lem, the manager of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine; and the witnesses were M. Dufaur de la Prade, French Consul, and M. G. Boissac, Belgian Consul.

Amongst those present at the reception which followed at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant were Mrs. Southorn, Dr. Wagner, the German Consul, and prominent members of the French and Belgian communities.

FOLK SONGS.

MUSICAL-AT-HELENA-MAY INSTITUTE.

The fortnightly musicale at the Helena May Institute last evening took the form of a recitation of old folk songs for which there was a fairly large audience. Girl pupils from the Garrison Schools participated in the chorus singing of a number of pretty songs, these being supplemented by contributions from an adult quartette comprising Mrs. Davenport, Brown, Mrs. Russell Brown, and Messrs. Richards and Hargreaves Brown. Mrs. Baleen gave a highly enjoyable violin selection entitled "Zigeunerweisen." In the absence of Mr. Hopkins who was to have contributed "Negro melodies," Mrs. Womack came to the rescue with two songs which were much appreciated. Miss Enid Jannaway was the accompanist.

VOLUNTEER CORPS.

INTERESTING LECTURE ON MONDAY.

A lecture is to be given by Major F. C. Roberts, V.C., D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., G.S.O.I. of the South China Command, to the Volunteers at Headquarters on Monday, at 5.30 p.m.

The subject of his lecture, and the discussion which will follow will be of great interest to all members of the Volunteer Corps past or present of whatever unit of the Corps they may belong.

ARMISTICE DAY

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Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Crofton, Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. Lyl, Mrs. Goodwin, the Misses V. Levkovitch, D. Hamblin, B. Woods, O. Redmond, E. Calvert, R. Ingram, M. Witchell, F. Field, B. Spalding, P. Hargrave, D. Jan, N. Field, L. Tolan, E. Kinole, I. Kiu, E. Rozario, G. Alves, E. Alves, M. Gill, I. Jan, H. Brower, E. M. Witchell, J. Black, V. Mitchell, J. Fann, Lee, B. Walker, G. White, D. Falconer, C. Sanh, O. Ribeiro, R. Maxwell, I. Raymond, D. Smith, I. Remedios, E. Ribeiro, R. Ribeiro, D. Tolan, H. Wylie, M. George, W. George, P. George, E. Landolt, N. Gubbay, K. Murphy and others.

The Talkoo Dockyard Recreation Club arranged their own sales and the names of the ladies assisting them are not available. The Civil Service Cricket Club and the East Point Recreation Club deserve thanks.

The Kowloon Dock Recreation Club arranged their own sales, and the Kowloon Cricket Club had raffles, auctions etc. also the U.S.R.C. a dance etc.

Thanks are also due to the City Hall authorities for use of the City Hall as Headquarters.

CATHEDRAL SERVICE.

Army Chaplain On Duty to the Living.

In the course of his address, at the special Cathedral service Major Webb said that for many generations to come November 11 would be amongst those days which were called and felt to be special. It was very fitting that Christian men and women should congregate in the Churches, or at the War Memorial or Cenotaph to return heartfelt thanks to Almighty God for the renewed blessings of peace and for the Example of those who gave us such a wonderful lesson of courage, true manliness, endurance and brotherly love, coupled with ardent Loyalty to our Sovereign Lord the King.

We did well and rightly in sounding a sincere note of gratitude but he fancied that the dominating note in mind that the dominating note was becoming more and more that of memorial. We were thanking God for those who by their self-sacrifice made peace possible. We were thanking God for what they did and praying that they might rest in peace in that place where they now were—in the nearer presence of God—and that the Holy Spirit might comfort the hearts of those who mourned their loss.

But would that suffice? The cost was so tremendous; a great peril was past and a whole company had marched from Victory to Paradise, and what would the world do? The spirit of Love so abundantly shown in our Lord's life was not always in evidence even now. There was much that was loveless, bitter and indifferent—much that was foreign to God's laws and to that magnificent example of comradeship given to the world by those who in life and indeed in the hour of death stood side by side and shared alike.

Should there not be greater care and remembrance of those who were permanently disabled and of those who lost their sight? Should there not be greater care for those on whose breasts were tokens that for God and Freedom they stood between us and the enemy. They were suffering to-day and we could help to ease that suffering by giving of those things which they needed. But could we not do even more? To-day, gathered together in this Cathedral Church thinking of these things, must we not give ourselves afresh to God?

To remember these brave souls and to express our thanks in words would not be all that was necessary. Very soon we would take our part with others in that great corporate act of worship when the Empire and many other countries were shocked into Silence. What a time, when millions of our fellow beings were praying, to reconsecrate ourselves to God, to resolve that our lives must be more worthy of those we were commemorating. What better way could we find than by service to the Empire they died for.

What better way was there of accomplishing this than for each and everyone to consecrate themselves afresh and then to see to it that the children of to-day were brought up to have a devouring love for

their country and their King and to know that the best service they could render the Empire and its Head was to be a race of God-fearing men and women.

Thus, by a real giving of our lives to God, might we as an Empire show the world that all the bitter sorrow, all the suffering, all the dreadful waste of young lives, all the sacrifice, privation and endurance, have taught us their lesson and that in the future we are resolved to be a more godly nation than ever before, absolutely determined that we will never allow anything to interfere with our duty to our God and our King, but, indeed, in humble gratitude to try and copy more faithfully the example of our Master and of those of whom it is truly said: "Their name liveth for evermore."

AT FANLING.

Wreath Placed on War Memorial.

The usual arrangements are being made for Armistice Day at Fanling. A wreath was placed on the War Memorial at 9.20 a.m. and bombs were fired near Sandy's Pulpit at 11 and 11.02 a.m. to indicate the two minutes' silence, during which golfers ceased playing.

Sale of Poppies.

The usual street sale of poppies both on the Hong Kong side and in Kowloon is being conducted by about 150 ladies. There are over 5,000 Flanders Poppies here for sale, and it is hoped to make this year's contribution to the fund from Hong Kong a record one. Poppy Day Posters will be auctioned at the Hong Kong Club and at the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Edna Dinner.

The annual dinner of the Executive Service Men's Association will, as usual, be held at Volunteer Headquarters, at 8 p.m. A company of about 200 is expected. Among the guests will be H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.), H.E. the G.O.C. (Major-General C. C. Liard, C.B., C.M.G.), Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G., and Paymaster-Comdr. H. Rogers, Lt.-Col. F. Hayley Bell, D.S.O., President of the Association, will preside.

A Poppy Day Carnival is being held at the Cafe Regent to-night and 15 per cent. of the day's proceeds will be given to Earl Haig's Fund.

U. S. R. C.

Plans More Than Realised.

An exceptionally good response was received from members and friends of the United Services Recreation Club yesterday afternoon when the annual tennis tournaments and other social engagements were held in aid of Poppy Day fund. The results by far exceeded the committee's anticipations and the various competitions were thoroughly enjoyed by a record attendance.

During the earlier part of the afternoon, a tennis tournament for mixed doubles and another for men's doubles were played, the large number of entries keeping the players occupied throughout the afternoon. Mrs. Lynch and Lieut. Hale were the successful competitors in the mixed event while the men's doubles were won by Major Lucas and Capt. Murphy.

A Bridge and mah jong tournament was also arranged, several enthusiasts taking part in the games. The ladies' prize was won by Mrs. Somers while Mr. R. E. Lindsell scored the highest number of points among the men.

A dance was held in the evening, with the Lyric Orchestra in attendance.

A raffle was run in connection with the fête and the following are the winning numbers:—

First Prize No. 8
Second Prize No. 492
Third Prize No. 375
Fourth Prize No. 578
Fifth Prize No. 473

The committee had hoped to collect \$1,000 for the Poppy Day fund but this amount was forthcoming from the afternoon events alone. The dance in the evening took the total to well over the thousand mark, about \$1,200 being collected in all.

Next Criminal Sessions will be held at the Supreme Court on November 21.

THE SERVICE.

Have we not all one freedom, lost and found?
When to one service body and soul are bound?
And is not life itself, if seen aright,
A great emergency, an endless fight?
For all men's native land, and worth the price
Of all men's service and their sacrifice?
The Brotherhood, the Service, Life at War,
These are the bonds that hold where heroes are.
These men make the men who weary not,
The men who fall rejoicing, self-forgot,
My friends; I do not ask for men like these
A little dole, a little time of ease.
For them and all who love them, all who mourn,
And all that to their faith shall yet be born,
I ask you this—take them for what they are,
Your Comrades in the Service, Life at War.

—Sir Henry Newbold.

IN THE "GAZETTE."

DR. J. T. SMALLEY TO ACT AS THE P.C.M.O.

PROMOTION FOR HON. A.D.C.

Several interesting appointments are announced in the current issue of the "Government Gazette."

Dr. J. T. Smalley acts as Principal Civil Medical Officer until further notice.

Captain H. B. L. Dowbiggin of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps is promoted Major. He is an honorary aide-de-camp to H.E. the Governor.

Lt.-Col. and Brev. Col. J. S. Bostock, C.B.E., R.A.M.C., is appointed a member of the Sanitary Board in substitution of Lt.-Col. S. Boylan Smith, D.S.O., O.B.E., R.A.M.C.

Mr. Tso Seen-wan (Dr. S. W. Tso, L.D.) has been re-appointed to the Sanitary Board for a further three years from November 15.

Dr. W. V. M. Koch is re-appointed to the Licensing Board for a further three years from November 14.

VICTIMISED TWICE.

EXPERIENCE OF CHINESE WOMAN.

To be victimised twice on one day by highway robbers was the unique experience of a Chinese woman from Cheungchau.

The story was told to Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when a Shau-kiwan woman was charged with participation in the hold-ups. She was further charged with receiving a pair of gold bangles knowing them to have been stolen.

According to the story told to the Magistrate by Sub-Inspector Fallon, the complainant had been acquainted with the accused for three years. In the early part of October this year, the complainant received a letter from the accused as a result of which she came to Hong Kong on October 11, and was met at the wharf by the accused and a man named Leung Yuk. The party then went to Hunghom where the complainant lived with the man for four days. Then the complainant went back to Cheungchau, returning to Hong Kong on October 27. The accused and the man took her to a theatre and then to a restaurant. Afterwards they went for a long walk through the streets and were met by two other men. Then the accused and Leung seized the complainant, and with the assistance of the other two relieved her of her jewellery. The two strangers ran away, whilst the complainant, accused and Leung returned home.

Here the complainant discussed the robbery with other inmates of the house and was advised to report to the police. The accused offered to take her to the Station, and they were accompanied by Leung. Instead of going to the police, the couple took the complainant to the Railway at Hunghom where they again attacked her, and after stealing a pair of gold bangles pushed her own the embankment. The complainant climbed back to the road, and meeting an Indian policeman made a report to him. As the result of a keen watch by the constable, the accused was arrested, with the bangles on her wrists.

The Magistrate gave adjournment until next week.

BOY SCOUTS.

DATE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong branch of the Boy Scouts Association will be held on Wednesday, at 5.15 p.m., in St. John's Cathedral Hall.

The agenda comprises:—Presentation of the report for the past Scout Year by District Scoutmaster A. White.

Statement of the financial position of the Association by Mr. C. H. Blagden, Hon. Treasurer. The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., President of the Local Association, will move the adoption of the report and settlement of accounts and address the meeting on the aims and needs of the movement, with special reference to the Hong Kong Branch.

The Commissioner will second the motion and give an explanation of the organisation and methods of the Boy Scouts Association, both locally and in its international aspect.

NORTHANTS LEAVE.

DEPARTURE FOR SHANGHAI.

At 2.30 yesterday afternoon, the ss. "Somersetshire" left Hong Wharf at Kowloon with 2nd Battalion the Northamptonshire Regiment, about bound for Shanghai. The Regiment was recently brought up to strength by a large draft from Home.

The "Somersetshire" is expected to return from Shanghai shortly with the Battalion of Marines on board. A number of detachments from Hong Kong will accompany Marines Home.

The current issue of the "Gazette" asks for tenders for the supply of material to the Kowloon Canton Railway Conservancy Commission, for repairs to a pier and Medical

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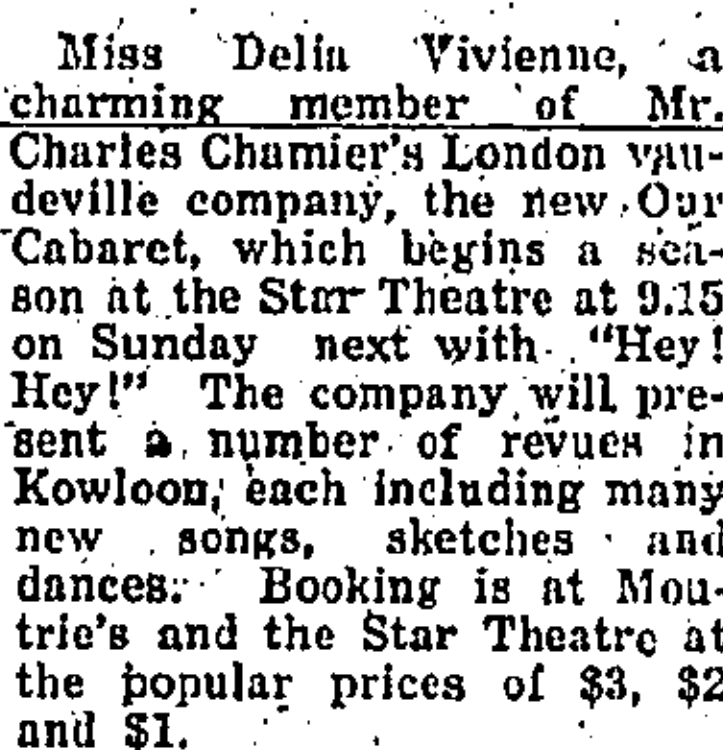
Political Consciousness.

Position in 1917.

Mr. Gandhi's Influence.

19. Mr. Gandhi's Mistake.

REVUES FOR KOWLOON:



**GOVERNMENT HAS KEPT THE
PEACE.**

PROGRESS APPRECIABLE.

Rugby, Yesterday.

These three years had been a period of revival, recuperation, and convalescence both for Britain and Europe. Many would say the progress had not been what was expected or hoped. That was undoubtedly true, but the progress had been appreciable and had been continuous. By every test one could apply the world was more secure. The prosperity of the country was more advanced, and social and economical dangers, which menaced us and had been held at bay. Nothing had happened since which had weakened British resources, and the Government found themselves still with two years of life in this Parliament and a better chance than had had three years ago when it assumed the responsibility of power.

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JAPAN'S GOVERNORS

**NUMEROUS ALTERATIONS
ANNOUNCED.**

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While no one actually saw the escape, it must have been effected in a similar manner to the one made from the same prison five years ago. It appears that the first person to suspect some thing was amiss was acting Chief Warden Robertson who found a pile of prisoners' clothing in a corner of the prison courtyard. A hurried investigation was carried out, and it was then discovered that the four prisoners are missing. Then the general alarm was given.

Carefully Planned.

The escape seems to have been carefully planned, and it is obvious that the prisoners could not have succeeded in their get away without assistance from outside. This was also confirmed by the fact that the prisoners had left their prison garb behind them. The means adopted by the prisoners in scaling the high wall is not apparent, as they had left no clue behind, but it is probable that ropes had been thrown over to them from the unfrequented lane and made fast there whilst they climbed. The difficulty of the glass on top of the wall was surmounted by the placing of a bundle of rags over the glass.

There are no scaffoldings inside the "New" jail, these being erected inside the main prison where rebuilding is going on, and these scaffoldings are too well guarded for anyone to attempt an escape from this section of the jail.

CINEMA NOTES.

ATTRACTIONS ON PROGRAMMES TO-DAY.

Holiday-makers to-day will find that the Colony's three principal cinemas are showing pictures that are as well as they are new. The programme at the Queen's Theatre includes Gloria Swanson's entertaining society love story, "The Untamed Lady" and the latest Felix cartoon, "Felix Busts Into Business"; the attraction at the World Theatre is the famous story of the tragic clown, "He Who Get's Sniaped," in which Lon Chaney, Norma Shearer and John Gilbert are the leading players; and the chief item in the continuous programme at the Star Theatre is "The Spanish Dancer," the screen version of the opera "Maritana," with Pola Negri as the guilty maiden.

NEW OUR CABARET

Arrival Here From
Shanghai.

Among the passengers who arrived from Shanghai by the P. and O. liner "Macedonia" this morning were the members of Mr. Charles Chamber's London Vaudeville Company, the New Ocean Cabaret, which opens a season in the Star Theatre on Sunday with "Hey! Hey!" During its visit to the Colony the company will present a number of light revues which will include new songs, new dances and new sketches. Bookings are at Moutrie's and the Star Theatre at the popular prices of \$3, \$2, and \$1.

THE UNTAMED LADY.

Gloria Swanson in "The Untamed Lady" appears this week at the Queen's from Thursday to Saturday. As the spollt darling whose every whim has been gratified since childhood and with an uncontrollable temper. She breaks away from every conventional bond and eventually meets her fate under the guiding rein of a man with a Strong Right Arm. A wonderfully vivid setting of a storm at sea gives the hero a splendid chance to subdue his wayward lady.

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The past week has seen a revival of the anti-British boycott in Canton, goods being seized and Chinese passengers from British steamers being searched by uniformed pickets on the West Bund. Up to now, however, the latter have not functioned on the river.

Sensation has followed sensation on the Chinese-war fronts during the week. Hankow is in a perilous plight; the Nanking armies are closing in; but the "Christian General" who sent an "S.O.S." to Nanking seems to be in dire peril of having his own lines broken by the Northern armies. In other directions, however, all is not well with the Northern armies, and unless they make considerably more headway the Nanking forces will be able to claim large victories.

Communists have been giving trouble in Canton and Tokyo on the anniversary of the Russian revolution, whilst a serious riot occurred in Shanghai, where the "White Russians" stormed the Soviet Consulate.

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"THE OVERLAND CHINA MAIL"

The troopship "Somersetshire" sailed from Hong Kong for Shanghai yesterday afternoon with the 1st/10th Northamptonshire. The "Somersetshire" will be returning in the course of next week when relief will be taken on board for home.

In the compound of the Central Police Station yesterday, some 900 pairs of cast-off boots and other police equipment, including khaki uniforms, which come under the category of old and useless stores, were offered for sale by auction and found ready buyers.

Edward Hunt, who was arrested by the U. S. Court Marshal, R. T. Porter on board a.s. "Shanghai Maru" on a charge of unlawful importation of liquor into America from Canada, on information supplied by the Seattle Federal Court, was sent back to America on board the a.s. "President MacKinnley" early last Saturday, by the U. S. Court authorities in Shanghai.

About 1,000 employees of the Ching Ching silk factory, 54 North Soochow Road, Shanghai, struck work last Thursday afternoon because a watchman refused to permit juvenile workers to leave and purchase food. They resumed work next morning, when the management offered to provide passes for those who desired to leave for a legitimate purpose, and agreed to pay 75 per cent. of their wages for Thursday.

In H. M. Police Court, Shanghai, on November 4, before the Magistrate (Mr. I. T. Morris), Chathursing Hirassang Bedi appeared on remand, charged with fraudulently converting money and goods belonging to Watahmal Boolchand and Co., and with making false entries in books, accounts and documents. The Magistrate committed defendant for trial in the Supreme Court, the accused entering a plea of "not guilty" to all counts of the indictment.

A complaint for arson involving destruction of properties valued at P. 130,638.81 was filed in Manila last week, before Judge Revilla, by Fiscal V. Bautista against a Chinese, Chua Kuei-kiong, 16 Chua with another unidentified individual, was charged with being responsible for the recent fire at Calle Alvarado, Tondo, as a result of which, a warehouse containing dry goods and other merchandise valued at more than P.130,000, was burnt to the prejudice of Inholder-Walch Company, Ltd., F. K. Schnitzler and Co. Yocca. Bail for the temporary release of the accused was placed at P.12,000.

Taiipo Bridge was opened to traffic yesterday at 10 a.m.

The vernacular press states that local Chinese are planning to pull down the old Coronet Theatre in Wyndham Street and to build a new cinema theatre on its site.

The best wine-taster in France is Marcel Le Cudennec, who won over other restaurant wine stewards in a wine-tasting contest. He gave the correct ages and names of twelve wines. "I tasted water once," he says, "but I didn't like it."

Members and guests of the Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society who are desirous of attending the Annual Ball, on Wednesday, November 30, are reminded that Practice Dances will be held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 15th instant, and 22nd instant, from 5.30 to 7 p.m.

The Hupeh Provincial Government issued an order on October 30 for the arrest of four noted Chinese Communist agitators by the name of Yun Hsin, Chow Sung-po, Sung Tse-shui and Chu Tse-fan. The order states that these men have been hiding in Anhwei and Hupeh secretly plotting against the Nationalist Government.

One of the Kowloon Magistrate's coolies prosecuted a Chinese girl before Mr. W. Schofield on a charge of larceny of a pair of trousers from the Court compound. The defendant was said to have taken the garment after leaving the Court on Wednesday. Sentence of seven days' imprisonment with the option of a fine of \$5, was imposed.

A hawker, who appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday, on a charge of selling his wares within the limits of the Yaumati market, was stated to have had his licence cancelled last year for repeatedly committing this offence. By giving a different name and address he managed to obtain another licence this year. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

We have received the current issue of "Israel's Messenger," Shanghai, dedicated to the tenth anniversary of the Balfour declaration which intimated to the English Zionist Association the Cabinet's desire to establish a Jewish Palestine. Several articles explain the history of the declaration and its subsequent effects, while congratulatory messages from Zionists of various nationalities are given prominence.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mrs. Albert Cohen after spending a year's holiday in Europe has returned to Shanghai.

Mr. Julian Abraham has left Shanghai for Bombay and expects to return after six months.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Kammerling and the Misses Kammerling have left Jerusalem for Shanghai.

Mr. M. B. Brown, of Messrs. White Cooper, has returned to Shanghai after a vacation at home.

Mr. A. Krisel, the well-known attorney, has returned to Shanghai from his visit to the United States.

Says "Israel's Messenger" (Shanghai) of November 4: Mr. J. E. Joseph of Hong Kong was here for a fortnight and left again for the Colony.

Mr. Solomon C. White and Miss Sophie Mizrahi (sister of Mrs. M. Chalk) were united in holy wedlock at the Beth Aharon Synagogue, Mr. S. S. Somekh, being the celebrant. There was a large gathering at the house of worship after which a reception was held at the Carlton Cafe, where (reports "Israel's Messenger") the bride and the groom were overwhelmed with felicitations.

Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks, better known as Doug and Mary will be among the many who are planning a visit to the Philippines next year, according to E. H. Benson, Far Eastern representative of the United Artists Corporation. In an interview granted the "Manila Times" Mr. Benson made public the fact that Fairbanks and Mary Pickford may be expected in Manila in March, 1928, or thereabouts, their object being a pleasure trip.

The marriage took place at St. Andrew's Church, Colpetty, on October 22, of Alexander Mitchell, of the Chartered Bank, Colombo, youngest son of the late Mr. William Mitchell, and Mrs. Mitchell, of "Kenmay," Aberdeen, Scotland, with Constance M. J. C. Fye, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Fye, of "Barna," West End Lane, London. The bride, who arrived from home by the "Shropshire" and had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Applegate, of Colombo, was given away by Mr. C. A. Pearcey, and was attended by Miss Marjorie Kirkpatrick. Master Christopher Pearcey and Miss Betty Dawson made charming little train-bearers. Mr. P. G. Hoar, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, was best man. The Rev. C. V. A. MacEhern officiated, assisted by the Rev. L. G. Hatfield Hall, and the service was choral.

Capt. E. R. Sassoon has left Shanghai for London.

Mr. S. Hertzberg has returned to Shanghai from his business trip to Frisco.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Toeg have returned to Shanghai from their vacation in Tsingtao.



KING VICTOR EMMANUEL
The King of Italy celebrates his 65th birthday to-day. He succeeded to the Throne on July 29, 1900.

Among the passengers sailing from Shanghai recently were Mr. and Mrs. Max Sternberg, who left for their new home in Singapore. Mrs. Sternberg was Miss Froge before her marriage to Mr. Sternberg, which took place at the Ohel Moshe Synagogue on Simhat Torah, the ceremony being solemnised by Rabbi S. M. Ashkenazi.

The Scottish Universities annual dinner—the 21st of the series—was held at the Europa Hotel, Singapore, on October 31, when 40 members and guests sat down to a banquet at which a haggis, "the chieftain of the pudding race," was the piece de resistance. The Rev. C. H. Douglas was in the chair. The toast of "the Scottish Universities" was proposed by Mr. Westworth Lewis and responded to by Dr. MacGowan and that of "the Guests" proposed by Mr. Bishop and responded to by Hon. Dr. Winstedt. Mr. D. B. MacLay proposed the health of the Chairman and in his reply the Rev. G. H. Douglas achieved the difficult task of telling some new Scottish stories. The pipes were in evidence before, during and after dinner, while before the company broke up it much enjoyed an informal "sing-song" of national songs from the Scottish Students' Song Book.

The cutting of the new road which has been driven through the waste land behind King's Terrace, connecting Nathan Road and Cox's Road, Kowloon, was practically completed on Wednesday. The cut is now available for pedestrian traffic.

The Chinese Garrison Commissioner is reported by the Chinese Press to have established an office in Avenue Edward VII, Shanghai, but the French police, hearing of it, demanded its removal on the ground that it was a military organisation.

Recently there was a distant earthquake shock which disturbed a small Western city and rocked the municipal building, so that the councilmen then in session, left without the usual ceremonies. The clerk, a man of rules and regulations, was hard put to give his minutes the proper official tone. Finally he evolved this masterpiece: "On motion of the city hall, the council adjourned."—American Boy.

Mr. T. A. Martin, assistant manager of Messrs. Calbeck, McGregor and Company, yesterday reported to the Police that provisions to the value of \$540, belonging to the Company, were recently delivered from the Kowloon Godown by means of the presentation of a delivery order bearing a forged chop. An employee has been missing from the office since October 28; it is alleged, in consequence of this misappropriation.

The redemption of notes of the Central Bank and the Bank of China in Hankow still continues. Owing to the large number of people who gather at the gate of the bank every day waiting to have their notes redeemed, the bank has now prolonged the period of redemption. Every person is only permitted daily to each fifty dollars Central Bank notes which are equivalent to ten dollars silver. Every Friday is set as the day for soldiers only.

Taking advantage of his position as sheriff employed by a woman stall holder of the Mongkok Market, a young Chinese absconded during last week with \$153 of his mistress's money, which he had collected from various debtors. The youth was subsequently arrested and on his appearance before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday he volunteered to repay the money on receipt of the necessary sum from his people in the country. His Worship remanded the defendant for one week pending the arrival of news from accused's parents.

Mrs. Ezekiel Solomon and her mother have returned to Shanghai from Jerusalem.

Mr. S. M. Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Joseph and Miss Joseph returned to Shanghai from their vacation in Canada.

Mr. Frank G. Fullerton, auditor in the Philippines during the administration of President Harding, died at Milford Centre, Ohio, recently, at the age of 59.

Dr. Frederick Reiss returned to Shanghai last month after spending five months on holiday in Vienna and other parts of Austria and Germany. Travelling via Siberia he attended a Congress of noted German physicians on September 4 in Bonn and spoke on skin diseases. He was elected a member of German Dermatological Society. Dr. Reiss has been elected a member of the building committee of the Ohel Moshe Synagogue since his return to Shanghai, a position which has been accepted by him, says "Israel's Messenger."

The wedding took place on November 5, at the British Consulate-General, Shanghai, of Evdokeya Constantinovna, daughter of Mrs. V. C. Rachletsova, and William James Priest. After the civil ceremony, a reception was held at the Astor House Hotel, when numerous friends of the couple honoured the usual toasts. The bride, who was attended by her mother, wore a charming frock of white, with hat to match, and a grey chiffon velvet coat trimmed with white fur. Silver shoes and stockings to match completed the ensemble. A lovely bouquet of white flowers added colour to the costume. The mother of the bride wore a brown dress, with hat to match.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on October 30, when Eric Malcolm Hale, youngest son of Mrs. W. Hale and the late Mr. Hale, was married to Daphne Hyacinth Goodland, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Goodland, of Singapore. The bride was attended by her sister Florrie, and Mr. Cecil Hale was bestman. Archdeacon Swindell, assisted by the Rev. J. V. Westlake, conducted the service, which was fully choral, in compliment to the bride, who is a member of the choir. Mr. Thornley Jones was at the organ. After the ceremony a reception was held at 8, St. Michael's Road, the residence of the bride, where Archdeacon Swindell proposed the toast of the health of the happy couple in felicitous terms, to which the bridegroom suitably responded. Other speeches were made by the best man and by the Rev. Edwin Lee, of the Methodist Church.

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SPORTS

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TO-DAY'S CHARITY MATCH.

The programme for the week-end is both copious and attractive, and on both sides of the Harbour on Saturday are good and exciting games.

As an extra to the serious nature of the League programme, to-day at the Club ground there should be a fine match Earl Haig's Poppy Fund.

Two good teams have been selected, also capable reserves and even, as is very likely, if the original selections do not all turn out, we are assured of a fine game and plenty of good football.

During this week-end, players are all out for interport honours, and will be judged in these games very seriously, as the Committee's task is no light one, as in the plethora of talent available at present, the ultimate selection is certain to form the subject of criticism. However we have on view opposed to one another on Friday many possible interport players and Sims will be compared with Stewart, Wynn with Harper, McClinchey with Suen Kam-shun, and Gossano with Leung all the players mentioned being worthy of interport honours in the absence of their immediate rivals. So we should see a rare good game, for a great cause which it is hoped will materially benefit.

—Rovers.

KOWLOON F.C. TEAMS FOR SATURDAY.

The undermentioned will represent the Kowloon F.C. 1st XI. versus the Queen's Regiment on the U.S.R.C. ground to-morrow (kick off, 4.15 p.m.):—Wood, Jones, Caveille, Hedley, Sims, Baldwin, Pile, May, Vickers, Miles and Muir. Reserve: Dod-shon.

The undermentioned will represent the Kowloon 2nd XI. versus South China "A" on the Kowloon Ground to-morrow (kick off, 2.45 p.m.):—Angus, Bliss, Pasco, Easterbrook, Hartley, Nicholls, Reed, Clark, Spary, Coates and Blacklock. Reserve: Slipper.

RACING.

SHANGHAI CHAMPIONS SWEEP.

We have been advised that the 1st and 2nd prizes in the above sweeps have been drawn by Hong Kong ticket holders:

1st Prize Ticket No. 16299 drew Charcoal.

2nd Prize Ticket No. 16292 drew Young Bill.

We are also informed that Mr. Castro, of the Orient Tobacco Factory is the holder of ticket 16299, and Mrs. P. Bayot is the holder of ticket 16292.

FANLING HUNT.

Draft programmes and entry forms for the Fanling Hunt to be held on Saturday, December 3, may be obtained from Dr. F. Pierce Grove, The Polo Club, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables. Entries will close on Saturday, November 19.

A WINNING TICKET.

A FATHER'S RIGHT TO SON'S FORTUNE.

Is a father who purchases a winning ticket in a sweepstakes in the name of his son, a minor, entitled to draw the money? This interesting question arose in connection with an appeal in a case from the District Court of Negombo which was argued before the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Driberg, recently. In the case B. John Fernando, sued his minor son B. Rupino Fernando for a declaration that he was entitled to a sum of Rs. 12,695.25 from the Galle Gymkhana Club.

Plaintiff's case was that he purchased a Galle Gymkhana Club lottery ticket for the Viceroy's Cup Sweeps in 1926 and stated to the seller of the ticket that he was buying it in the name of his son. The ticket-seller entered his son's initials in the list as the non-deplume and his son's full name as purchaser. The ticket drew the third prize, which amounted to a sum of Rs. 12,695.25. He then instituted the present action against his son after having had a guardian "ad litem" appointed. His son consented to judgment and decree was entered in his favour. On being advised that the decree so obtained was invalid as it did not meet the requirements of Section 500 of the Civil Procedure Code, he moved to vacate the decree and placing all the facts before the Court prayed for judgment.

The District Judge dismissed the plaintiff's action with costs, holding that the defendant was not entitled to consent to judgment under Section 500.

Mr. A. L. J. Croos Da Brera appeared for the plaintiff-appellant. Judgment was reserved.

CRICKET.

BRITISH GENERAL HOSPITAL DEFEATED.

In this match on Wednesday played at the Hospital Ground the Diocesan Boys' School defeated the Hospital by eight wickets and 45 runs.

For the Hospital Bird made 64, and for the School Lee took six wickets for 34 runs and Anderson scored 80 not out and Kwan 46.

Scores:—

British General Hospital.			
Moore, c Kyum, b A. Lee	0		
Arthurs, b A. Lee	10		
Bird, c Fisher, b A. Lee	64		
Terrans, b A. Lee	0		
Corby, b R. Lee	1		
Carter, b R. Lee	14		
Page, b Kwan	4		
Sparks, b A. Lee	0		
Elbow, c Fisher, b A. Lee	1		
Sutton, not out	2		
Bennett, c Kyum, b Kwan	0		
Extras	8		

Total 104

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
A. Lee	10	3	34
W. H. Kwan	7.2	1	27
R. Lee	6	2	2
D. Anderson	4	1	7

Diocesan Boys' School.

D. Anderson, not out	80
W. H. Kwan, c b Terrans	46
F. R. Zimmer, c Moore, c	1
Elbow	1
R. Lee, not out	16
Extras	6

Total (2 wks. dec.) 149

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Bird	8	1	37
Moore	6	1	26
Carter	2	15	1
Terrans	5	16	1
Elbow	4	16	1
Page	4	17	1
Arthurs	2	16	1

R.A.S.C. Beat K.C.C.

Due mainly to a stolid innings by Lieut. E. Dynes, the R.A.S.C. cricketers beat the Kowloon Cricket Club on the latter's ground yesterday afternoon in an exceptionally high scoring match, after a very exciting finish.

The scores were:

Kowloon C.C.			
Capt. J. P. Murray, c Drysdale, b Newberry	42		
G. A. V. Hall, c and b Newberry	23		
F. Edwards, c and b Newberry	29		
Capt. F. G. Bevis, b Dynes	0		
J. C. Lyl, lbw, Dynes	0		
E. B. Morton, not out	31		
J. E. Hancock, lbw, Dynes	0		
J. Dick, run out	1		
A. R. F. Raven, b Badcock	17		
A. Marshall, c Drysdale, b Dynes	4		
P. G. Hall, b Dynes	2		
Extras	6		

Total 185

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Murray	16	57	3
Lyl	12.4	61	5
Bevis	6	1	35
Hancock	8	17	1

R.A.S.C.

Col. G. E. Badcock, c and b Murray	2
Lieut. E. Dynes, c Hancock, b Lyl	91
S/S A. E. Wood, b Murray	12
Capt. J. E. Drysdale, b Lyl	12
S.Q.M.S. Moss, c Lyl, b Murray	10
S.Q.M.S. Newberry, b Bevis	5
L/C Tibbs, b Hancock	0
S.Q.M.S. Glenn, c Raven, b Lyl	28
L/C Fennell, c Bevis, b Lyl	0
L/C McIntyre, not out	18
Pte. Edwards, c Morton, b Lyl	0
Extras	24

Total 194

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Badcock	11	61	1
Dynes	13	1	75
Newberry	10	3	43

R.A. v. LIGHT BRIGADE.

Extraordinary low scores were recorded in a match played yesterday on the Club de Recreo ground, King's Park, between the Royal Artillery and the 4th Light Brigade. It was in the nature of a trial match and the 4th Brigade who batted first were dismissed for 35 runs, but the Royal Artillery fared even worse. Their total was 27.

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CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

ENCOURAGING ANNUAL REPORT.

SOUND POSITION.

The annual general meeting of the Craigenower Cricket Club will be held next Thursday at 5.30 p.m. The annual report which has just been circulated to members states: Cricket. The Club entered a team in the First Division of the League Competition. The result was not very satisfactory. Mr. O. Ismail heads the batting average, and Mr. S. Abbas has the best bowling average.

Tennis. As usual, interest was well maintained throughout the season. The Club competed in the Lawn Tennis Association Tournament, entering teams in the B. and C. Divisions. The teams acquitted themselves creditably, finishing third in both of these Divisions. A Tournament was held and resulted as under:—Singles Handicap: Mr. J. M. Silva; Runner-up: Mr. H. Hamson. Doubles Handicap: Messrs. J. M.

SPORTS DIARY.

TO-DAY.

Golf.—Kowloon Golf Club v. Y.M.C.A. Charity Footbal, Civilian v. United Services, Club ground. Hockey.—Waseda University v. Navy, King's Park; Fanling Hunt, (Hare and Hounds), Hunters' Arms, 2.30 p.m. Cricket.—University v. Tamar (L); Recreio v. Hong Kong Electric (L); Kowloon seconds v. Army second (F); Craigenower v. Police (F).

TO-MORROW.

Hockey.—Waseda University v. Hong Kong Hockey Club, King's Park. Cricket.—Division I: Civil Service v. Chinese (F); Kowloon v. Royal Artillery (F). Division II: Navy v. Hong Kong C.C. seconds (F); Kowloon v. Civil Service (F). Football.—Senior Division: Queen's v. Kowloon; Recreio v. R.A.; Chinese Athletic v. Scot Guards; Air Force v. S. China; K.O.S.B. v. Club Junior. "A": Royal Artillery v. K.O.S.B.; Kowloon v. South China "A"; South China "B" v. Recreio; St. Joseph's v. Club; University v. Chinese Ath.; Junior "B": Kung Woo v. St. Joseph's; Kowloon v. China "A"; South China "B" v. Chinese Ath.; Moslems v. Boy Scouts.

Silva and H. M. Xavier; Runners-up, Messrs. A. R. Remedios and A. A. Lewis.

Mixed Doubles: Unfinished.

Scratch Singles: This had to be cancelled owing to insufficient entries.

Lawn Bowls. This game was very popular. Two teams entered in the Association Competitions. The result was not satisfactory, though this was not surprising, as new players had to be called upon to complete the teams on many occasions.

Club competitions were held, with the following results:

Singles: Mr. R. Bass; Runner up, Mr. A. W. Grimmit.

Pairs: Messrs. M. A. R. Sousa and W. T. Brightman; Runners up, Messrs. R. H. Whiteford and A. A. Lewis.

Rink: Messrs. F. K. Modi, F. J. Neves, D. Fritz, C. Bennett (skip); Runners up, Messrs. A. A. Lewis, W. T. Brightman, C. S. Rossetet, A. W. Grimmit (skip).

Billiards. The tables are in good condition. They were well used throughout the year. A team competition of four players each, in which seven teams entered, was held which resulted in some closely contested games. Messrs. A. Gil-lard, L. C. R. Sousa, C. S. Rossetet and C. A. Rodrigues were the winning team.

Club House. The building is in good condition. No extensive repairs were found necessary during the past year.

Membership. The number of members on the roll is 396.

Finance. The working account shows a profit of \$937.85. Of the balance sheet item under sundry debtors the amount of \$4,582.57 is shown as outstanding to July 31, it is gratifying to note that \$2,572.34 has since been collected.

The Committee much regret to record the deaths of the following members: C. R. Haywood, W. Knight, L. A. Rose and W. E. Rose.

ROWING.

BARRY AGAIN CHALLENGES GOODSELL.

Vancouver, Oct. 21.

Major Goodsell has announced that he has accepted another challenge from Barry, accompanied by a deposit of \$500 dollars, for the World's Professional Sculling Championship.

The date has not yet been settled. Barry suggests next Empire Day—Times of Ceylon.

CHESS.

BUENOS AIRES, YESTERDAY.

Capablanca and Alekhine have drawn the 27th game—Reuter's American Service.

DUELS AT HOME.

NOT WITH LETHAL WEAPONS TO-DAY.

"THE MANLY ART"

[By Robert Lynd.]

It is probably news to many people that duelling still continues on a considerable scale in England. It is true that neither pistols nor swords are used—that the combatants indeed, are permitted to arm themselves with nothing more lethal than boxing-gloves.

The fight, too, is called, not a duel, but a needle fight. At the same time, the definition of a "needle fight"—a contest which is the outcome of a quarrel—would serve very well as a definition of a "duel." The spirit of both forms of contest is the same, and of the two the duel, I fancy, is that in which the combatants are less likely to suffer from loss of blood. That, perhaps, is why the police prohibited the needle fight that was to have taken place between two Edmonton men at the Edmonton Alcazar.

Fighting Commended.

Even so, I am not sure that it is a good thing to prohibit serious fighting in this fashion. It seems absurd that you should be allowed to fight a man for the purpose of making money, but that you should not be allowed to fight him because he is a person whom you dislike so much that you want to knock him down. It is said that needle fights have been fairly common at boxing establishments in Edmonton and that the fights have been fought according to the rules in a fair and sportsmanlike manner; and I cannot see why the law should object to men voluntarily settling their differences in this fashion, as boys used to do in the noble school stories of Talbot Baines Reed.

Or, rather I do see one reason—a reason that is a valid objection to all duelling. If fighting were accepted as the natural method of settling differences between man and woman, it would put people like me at a hopeless disadvantage. A novelist who imagined that I had praised him too little might, if he were a good boxer, challenge me to meet him in the ring at Edmonton, and he would certainly imagine that, if he battered me sufficiently and left me unconscious on the floor, he had proved that he was a better novelist than I had said he was. And the worst of it is, the public, seeing me lying unconscious on the floor, would agree with him. As a matter of fact, he would have proved nothing more than if he had beaten me in a contest as to who should eat the greater number of toasted buns or hard-boiled eggs or vanilla ices. I might be right in my criticism and yet unable to compete with him in any of these contests.

I have always rather disapproved of duelling in this form since my first week in a newspaper office in the north of England. I had been sent to describe the work of a Registration Court, and in my article I attempted to introduce a vein of light comedy by making jokes about the police. I happened to be in another Registration Court a few evenings later when I observed the policemen besides the Registrar smiling in my direction, one of them good-humouredly and one in an extremely sinister fashion.

As I was going out of the door, the policeman with the sinister smile, who was at least six feet high, hurried after me and touched me on the sleeve. "You're the chap who wrote that article," he said. As he spoke he gradually grew eight feet high and broad in proportion, and his smile had become so expansively sinister that even I went pale as I nodded assent.

A Challenge.

"Come over here," he said, pointing to an empty corner of the porch, and I followed him, watching him grow to ten feet as he walked. When at length we were in a quiet corner, and he looked down at me and asked, "Do you ever put on the gloves?" he was 12 feet in height, with the shoulders of a giant, and with a flat top of the clock of St. Paul's or I'm grossly exaggerating. I shook my head with a disarming but sickly smile. "I wish," he said, with a grim expression, so far as I could judge, since his face was so far above me that it made me giddy to look up at it. "I wish you could use the gloves. I'd like you to come round to the station some night and have a nice round or two."

Now, if needle fights were the custom of the country, I should have had to go round and allowed the most gigantic policeman in the British Empire to knock me down till he got tired of knocking me down.

That is why I have ever since doubted the morality of duelling—"Daily News."

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TENNIS.

HONG KONG CONTINGENT FOR MACAO.

WEEK END GAMES.

The officials of the Sporting Club of Macao, an Association formed for the promotion of all kinds of in-door and out-door games, have been the means whereby a contingent of local tennis players are making a trip to play a series of games there on Sunday.

The players are mostly members of the Indian Recreation Club and the majority of them have appeared in the local Tennis League Tournaments.

Among the representatives of the Indians are S. A. and S. S. Hussain, I. M. Razack, J. M. Cassimboy, Y. A. Wahab, and D. Mohammed.

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GOLF.

SHEK O PLAYERS TO VISIT KOWLOON.

A team of golfers of the Shek O Country Club will visit Kowloon to-morrow and play the Kowloon Golf Club. A private bus will meet the 12.35 ferry at Kowloon and convey the visitors to the Club house, where tiffin will be taken on arrival.

One point will be given for each match won and a quarter point for byes three holes or over.

The teams are as follows:—K. G. C. Shek O. C. C. E. E. Remedios E. Davidson E. T. Andrews B. A. Sands S. Gray D. G. Bruce A. W. Roberts D. H. Blake F. X. Remedios K. S. Morrison H. Page E. L. Sim J. O. McLaggan H. S. Hills F. Lickley H. B. L. Dowbig H. G. Howard S. S. Cassidy

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CHINA & POWERS.

RECOGNITION OF TWO GOVERNMENTS ADVOCATED.

Peking, Oct. 23.

Formal recognition of both the Peking and Nanking Governments has been urged in certain quarters of the Diplomatic Corps in Peking, in the belief that the rivalry between the Government will last for a considerable length of time.

Advocates of this policy suggest that the two Governments should be made jointly responsible for foreign affairs. Foreign nations could send separate diplomatic representatives to each of the Governments, and it is claimed that this unique way of handling the diplomatic affairs would be both for the good of China and foreign nations.

America appears to be more inclined to accept this idea than any other foreign nation. It is believed that, upon the return to Peking of Mr. McMurray, American Minister to China, some definite steps in this direction will be taken—"Osaka Mainichi."

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LONDON MOVIES.

BRITISH OUTPUT OF FILMS.

When you get a boxing film in which there is no attempt to dope the hero before the championship, you realise that something big is happening in movieland. The big thing is that Britain is at last turning out films that beat anything America has done on the same lines. Let us take Wardour's achievement "The Ring." At the private showing, staid critics of long standing were alternately clapping their hands with boyish excitement, and laughing with an abandon which suggested that they forgot they were critics. I certainly did.

There were no mistakes in boxing technicalities. Eugene Corri himself refereed the big match, and both Carl Brisson and Ian Hunter know all about the ring. Carl Brisson showed himself, in his first film, to be one of our best screen actors. Gordon Harker, his pugnacious and droll trainer, was irresistibly funny. Lillian Hall-Davies, too, was good, though her part was the least real in the picture. She appears to love only champions, so it is fortunate that Carl won the big fight, for otherwise I think there would have been a divorce.

The film swings along, not letting the interest flag for a moment. The directing of Alfred Hitchcock is really great, and his management of the boxing scenes is a brilliant piece of work.

Another British Win.

The Gaumont Company, not to be outdone, has given us "The Flight Commander." Last week, we had an American film dealing with flying, in which all sorts of terrible blunders were made. This is a more interesting film, has more "aero-planes, and no technical howlers. But then the Americans did not have Sir Alan Cobham to guide them.

He runs the film, as it were. In his aeroplane he takes a young man, ready for love, and deposits him in a village "somewhere East." There he finds Estelle Brody engaged to a decrepit old man, played by Humberston Wright. Our young pilot, John Stuart, is plunged into despair at their marriage, even though he knows Estelle Brody loves him. But he does not know, as we do, that the Chinese, urged on by bearded Russians, are going to raid the Concession and straighten things out.

That is where the fun begins. In the course of a glorious fight, which, incidentally, is remarkably well staged, everybody proves a hero, and the aged husband is killed. Then Cobham comes along with a fleet of aeroplanes and scatters the Chinese. Vesta Sylva and her three faithful followers provide plenty of amusement. At the end she introduces her husband and leaves them sobbing on one another's shoulders. Maurice Elvy, the director, deserves much praise for his work.

"Brigadier Gerard."

At the Capitol, for at least a fortnight, there is running "Brigadier Gerard," an American film based on Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's book. Several incidents are taken and strung together, forming quite a good story. It deals with the efforts of Etienne and the Countess de Launay to get the letter incriminating Talleyrand and hand it to Napoleon.

Gerard loses it, and we, who know it is in the brim of a hat, watch the fortunes of that hat anxiously until finally it gives up its secret and saves our hero from being shot. The part of the swagging young dandy suits Rod in Roque perfectly. There is not a dull moment in the film. The only annoying ones are when Phyllis Haver tries to look coy—a less convincing secret service agent I never saw!

"Hin"

All who frequented the old-time music-hall remember "A Sister to Assist 'Er," that wonderful farce of low life, in which poor Fred. Emney for so many years played the part of the cunning Mrs. May. Now that a film has been made of it, the younger generation have their turn, but it is not quite such a good turn as the "old uns" had. By that I do not mean that it is a failure. In fact, it is a very successful film farce, and Mary Brough is extremely funny, both as "Er" and the imaginary sister who gets

her out of the scrape—and her lodgings. Bromley Davenport supports her well as her fishy lover; in fact, all the British cast join in the fun and make it so. But the dialogue that used to make the house roar is, of course, quite lost on the screen. However, if we cannot hear the sister sigh "hin," we can see her manoeuvres to get "hin," and that is nearly as good. —The Looker-on, in "Reynolds's Illustrated."

NEW FEATURE IN CINEMAS.

A progressive note has been struck by a new cinema which will shortly be opened at Willeaden. This is a perambulator park, where mothers can leave their babies and their carriages while they see the pictures in comfort. There will be a competent woman in charge of the baby department, who will see that their small charges come to no harm. What a happy thought on the part of the management! How often one has been annoyed by the crying and noise of a little child in a cinema, and yet, if the mother wants to go to the pictures, what can she do with her baby but bring it with her? Apart from the possible annoyance to other people if the child cries, there is danger to it of breathing for some hours the close air of the place. By the way, I can't understand (says a London correspondent) why the majority of London cinema are so badly ventilated. Sometimes the air is so awful that one can hardly breathe on entering. How we in the South envy you your Hong Kong picture palaces.

TOO YOUNG AT EIGHTY-TWO.

The appeal of Ko-Ko to Katisha in "The Mikado"—"Won't you wait till you are eighty in the shade!"—would be superfluous if addressed to one of the Grand Theatre actresses at the Grand Theatre, Rotterdam. He runs the film, as it were. In his aeroplane he takes a young man, ready for love, and deposits him in a village "somewhere East." There he finds Estelle Brody engaged to a decrepit old man, played by Humberston Wright. Our young pilot, John Stuart, is plunged into despair at their marriage, even though he knows Estelle Brody loves him. But he does not know, as we do, that the Chinese, urged on by bearded Russians, are going to raid the Concession and straighten things out.

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MIDNIGHT THEATRE.

Through the enterprise of Herr Steffens, a well-known teacher of dramatic art, Berlin is to have a special "Night Theatre," at which the performances will begin at midnight.

The Night Theatre will endeavour to introduce to the general public the writings of authors who have not yet received recognition or become popularly known. It will present one such play every week and will have its performances at the unusual hour mentioned for a very practical reason. It cannot at the outset afford to pay large salaries to its actors, and it hopes to secure the services of those who play during the first part of the night at other theatres, and who may be willing to make second performances for a comparatively modest stipend.

FROM NOTHING TO WEALTH.

Montague Love, the English actor, is now making £200 a week on the screen. He went to New York with Cyril Maude in "Crump," but with nothing much until some one singled him out for the film. Ernest Torrence, one of the best-known English actors on the American screen, was a musical comedy actor in London before he was suddenly chosen by some director to play the film part of a ruthless Kentucky mountaineer in "Tolable David." In England he was unknown. In America he earns £500 a week.

AMERICAN FILM BANNED.

CENSORS OBJECT TO "LOW MORAL TONE."

Bombay, Oct. 22.
According to an announcement in the Calcutta "Gazette," a Metro-Goldwyn production has been ruled unsuitable for exhibition throughout the whole of Bengal, because of its low moral tone.

It was rejected by the censors because it contained scenes in which white and other races met and indulged in extravaganzas in a low Chinese establishment, a thinly-disguised house of ill repute, in which a European woman was finally murdered.

GONZALEZ OPERA CO.

Mr. A. T. Hashim, a prominent Manila merchant who arrived there on the motor ship "Fulda," said on October 20 that the Gonzalez Opera Company from Italy came as far as Colombo on the "Fulda" and that they have an engagement there until October 26. Mr. Hashim said that Mr. Gonzalez told him that the company expected to open an engagement in Manila early in March.

The company is composed of sixty-five persons, including a ballet and three singers for each leading part. Mr. Hashim said the company is one of the best ever organised in Italy, for an Oriental tour and is composed entirely of singers new to this part of the world.

From Colombo the company goes to Madras until November 8, and then on to Calcutta until January 31. From there the company will probably come to Manila for an engagement at the Manila Grand Opera House.

The Gonzales brothers were in Manila in 1919 with one of their famous organisations.

AN OPINION OF CRITICS.

Jack Norworth, who is back in London on holiday after several years' absence in America, is the comedian who taught the London Hippodrome audiences how to sing "Sister Susie's Sewing Shirts for Soldiers," and who afterwards, in "Rosy Rapture," the revue which J. M. Barrie wrote for Gaby Deslys, taught a Duke of York's audience to sing "Which Switch is the Switch, Miss, for Ipswich?" He does not like critics. "I think of critics what you think of actors," he said to a London critic who has gained a reputation for "slashing." "After all, what do criticisms matter? They wrap bacon in them the next day, or they put them round liver to sell for cats. We draw our salaries on Saturdays, just the same."

FOUND FORTUNE IN FAILURE.

Ronald Colman, who is earning from £600 to £700 a week, is now running close to Jack Gilbert for the position of the leading juvenile on the films. Yet in England he was known chiefly as Thelma Ray's husband. Then, when he went to act in America, he got a job to appear in a play with Ruth Chatterton.

Although the play was a failure, Colman, whose face pleased a film man in the audience, was chosen for the pictures during the play last week. Lillian Gish wanted a leading man for "The White Sister." Colman went with her to Italy. The rest is history.

MISS VANBRUGH FOR AUSTRALIA.

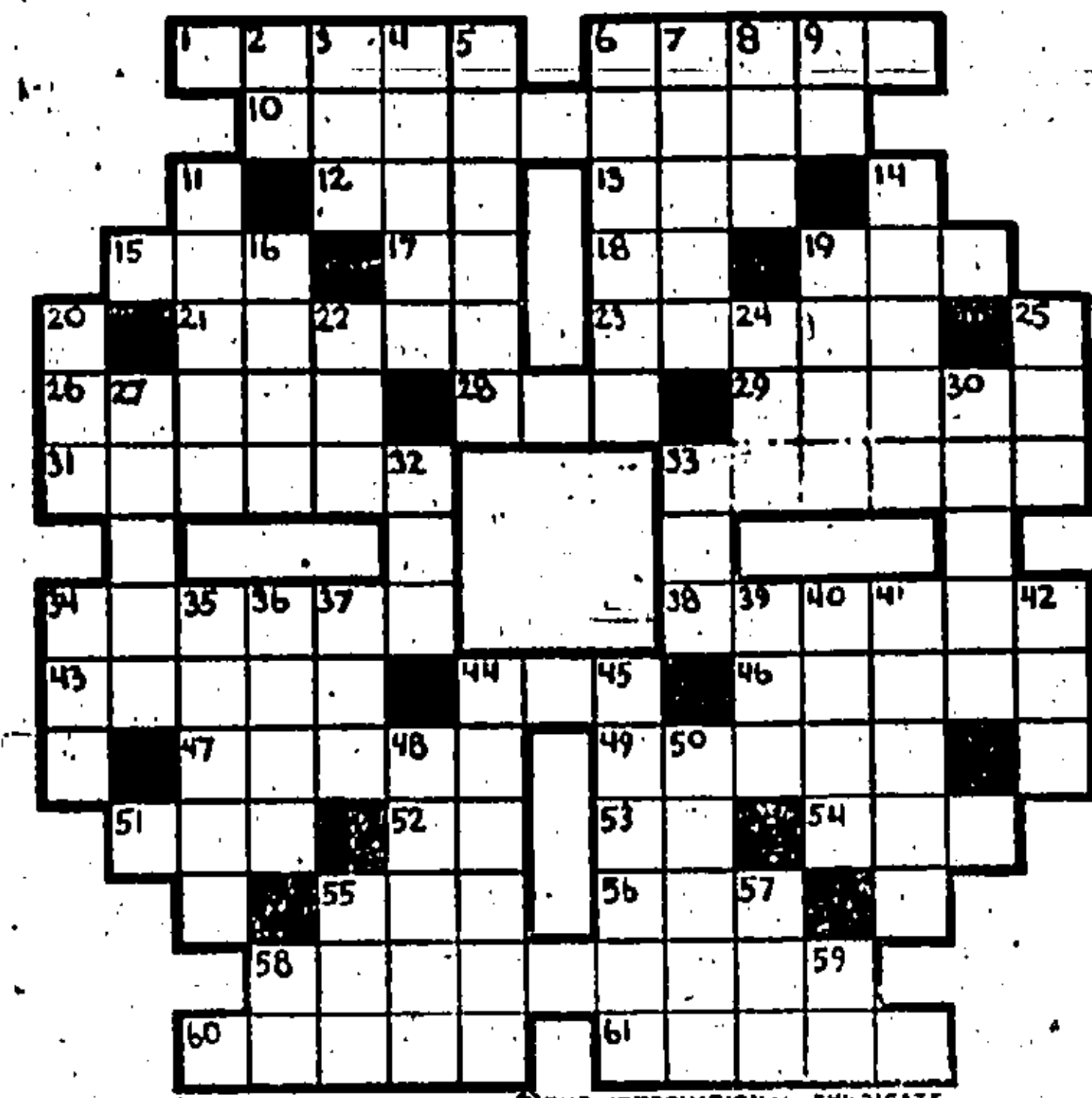
Irene Vanbrugh, the well-known actress, accompanied by her husband, Mr. Dion Boucicault, left London recently for Australia. "This trip is not one of pleasure," said Miss Vanbrugh. "It is a professional one. My husband is taking a repertory company with him, and we are going to produce a number of plays, including 'The Letter,' and 'On Approval' at many of the big towns in Australia. We may then go on to New Zealand. The trip will last about a year, and when it is finished we will come back and do some more work here."

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Past the prime
- 6-A lover
- 10-Who founded the city of Quebec?
- 12-To flow back
- 13-Antique
- 15-Article
- 17-Railroad (abbr.)
- 18-Personal pronoun
- 19-To allude by force
- 21-Monastery
- 23-What is a composition on some special subject called?
- 26-What is an Eskimo's snow house?
- 28-Possessive pronoun
- 29-Evilant
- 31-Existing in abundance
- 32-What town is the seaport of Lima, Peru?
- 34-Pressing
- 38-What is another name for the isthmus of Panama?
- 43-To pass a rope through a block (Naut.)
- 44-To perform
- 46-Intelligence
- 47-What independent kingdom is between Tibet and India?

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 49-Relieve
- 51-What great river flows into the Sea of Azov?
- 52-Trade mark (abbr.)
- 53-What is the Spanish for "this"?
- 54-Of which state is Dover the capital? (abbr.)
- 55-Pronoun
- 56-Coarse hemp fiber
- 58-What is the largest lake in Maine?
- 60-Part of "to go" (old form)
- 61-Where in Germany are the great Krupp factories?

VERTICAL (Cont.)

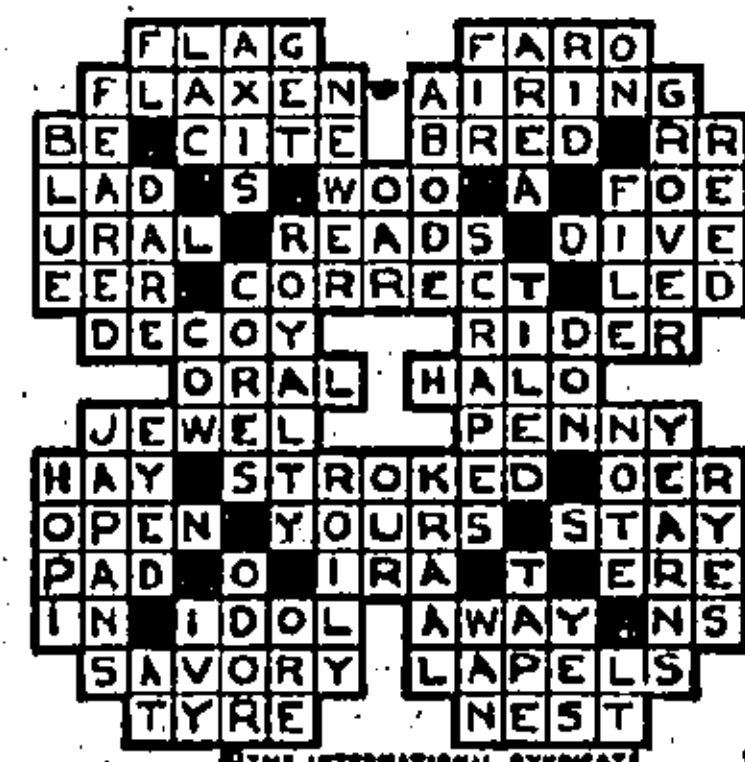
- 14-An island of the Azores
- 16-Very black
- 19-To harass
- 20-To tilt
- 22-Conjunction
- 24-Flow of the waves
- 25-What is the fifth sign of the zodiac?
- 27-A dazzling light
- 30-Narrative
- 32-Still
- 33-A mean, low fellow
- 34-Year
- 35-Where was Columbus born?
- 36-Level
- 37-Who was the Roman god of the sea? (abbr.)
- 39-A beast of burden
- 40-A Missouri senator
- 41-To set in
- 42-Fresh
- 44-Not quite
- 45-To out teeth
- 48-A famous headland on the Aegean sea, Greece
- 50-A bitter oathword
- 52-Trouble
- 57-Existed
- 58-Of what state is Jefferson City the capital? (abbr.)
- 59-Prefix. Down

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

CONDUCTOR HONOURED.

Dr. Henry George Farmer, M.A., musical director in the Empire Theatre, Glasgow, was honoured by the Glasgow branch of the Musicians' Union, of which he is president, the members of the Empire Orchestra, and the Glasgow Symphony Orchestra, which he also directs. Dr. Farmer recently took the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Glasgow University, and to commemorate his achievement he was presented with the appropriate robes. Mr. Handel Lancaster, vice-president of the branch, made the presentation. Dr. Farmer has won a considerable reputation by his researches in Arabian music.

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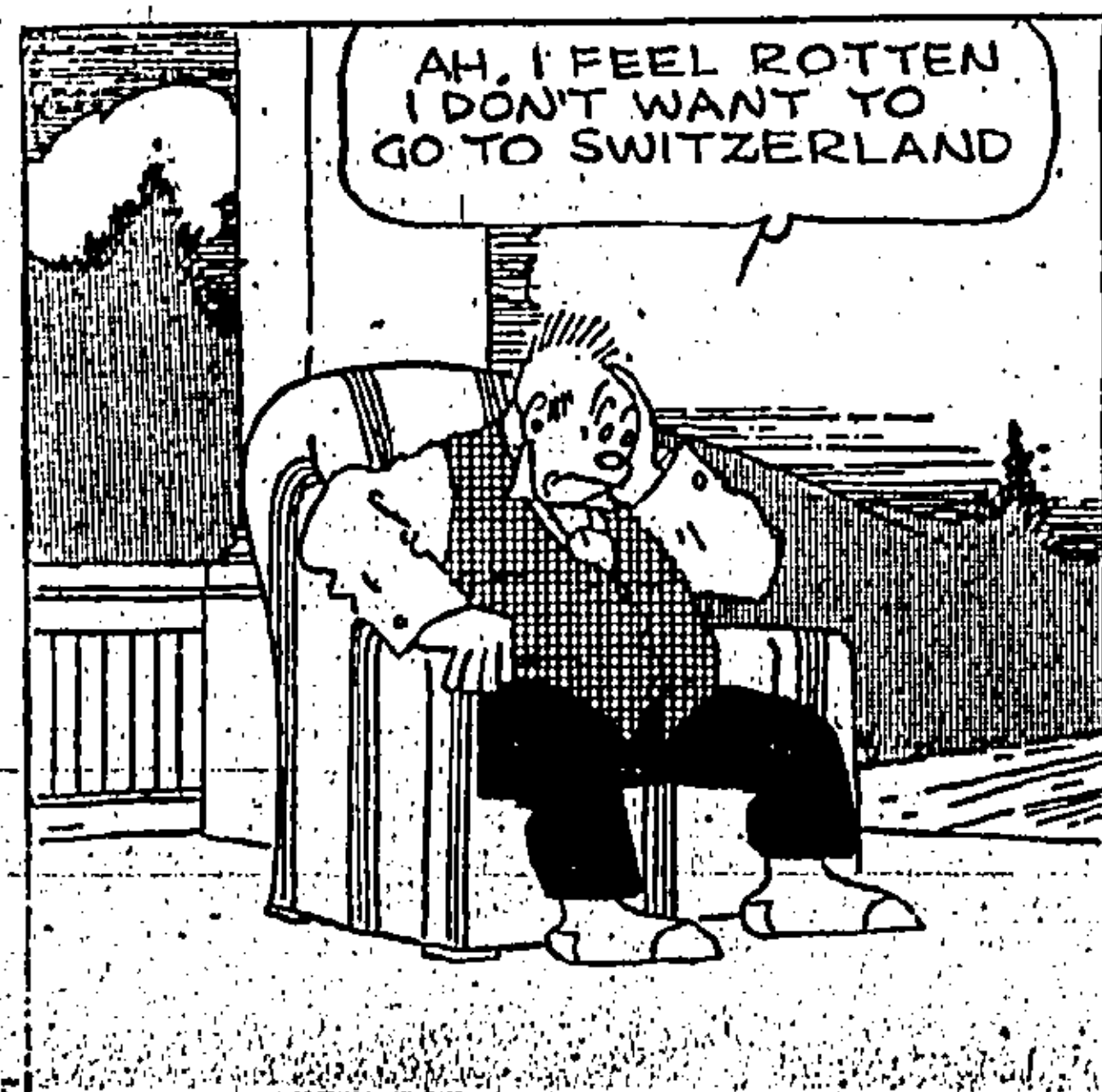
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OPIUM REVENUE.

DEBATE IN STRAITS
COUNCIL.

LEFT TO UNOFFICIALS.

Singapore, Nov. 1.

The Colonial Secretary, before moving the second reading of the Supply Bill in the Legislative Council, made the interesting announcement that with the sanction of the Secretary of State the item of the Opium Revenue Replacement Fund would, in view of what was understood to be the almost unanimous objection of the unofficial members of the Colony, be left entirely to the Unofficial vote, so that when they came to that item in committee it would be left to the Unofficials.

Duty to Posterity.

Referring to the contribution to the Opium Revenue Replacement Fund Mr. G. C. Clark said he felt that the Unofficials should state some reasons for their desire to cut this out, and he would say that, as he saw it, their duty to posterity would appear to be to hand over to them a Colony which in matters of education and public health and general efficiency could hold up its head in defiance of its critics and had in its coffers sufficient revenue to meet the gradual loss of the opium revenue. He could not foresee a shrinkage of the revenue from opium entirely bereft of any corresponding gain in, say, liquor or tobacco revenue, and he believed when the time came for the opium revenue to disappear posterity would find that they would not be called upon to make up anything like the amount of leeway which some people thought at this point. After referring to various important public works that needed to be carried out Mr. Clark said he saw no reason why the surplus from the Currency Guarantee Fund should not be passed over to the Colony's general reserve at intervals of, say four or five years, to replace reserves depleted by extraordinary expenditure on those works.

A Transition Period.

Mr. G. S. Carver agreed with those who opposed a further contribution in 1928 towards the Opium Reserve Fund. They knew that they would not be faced with a sudden deprivation of their opium revenue. To meet a transitional period of readjustment, they had already accumulated over forty millions, and in addition they had large accumulated surpluses on the Currency Reserve. They had, however, a further, and very valuable reserve, which did not seem to have attracted attention. Large tracts of valuable land let out by the Government on 99 years leases would be reverting to the Government in the next twenty-four years. If the Government obtained a full annual return by way of rent when those leases fell in, it seemed certain that a very large income would become available at a very opportune time. He was not one of those who wished the Opium Reserve to remain where it was, because it seemed an injustice to tax the luxury of the poor more highly than that of the well-to-do. If there were a prospect of reducing the taxation on opium consumers so as to bring it more on

a par with that on liquor consumers, he should favour the continuance of the contribution. He understood, however, that they could not control their policy in that respect, but he was of the opinion that the duty on liquors should be very substantially increased.

Go On With Improvements.

Mr. P. M. Robinson asked, were they justified in hoarding this money only that later it might be spent on works which were required at present? It was highly probable that permanent improvements could be effected in the Colony now at a much lower cost than after fifteen or twenty years, and the increased earning power of the Colony as a result of these improvements would be more than equivalent to the interest which would be earned from the invested fund. It would be just as effective if they utilised the Reserve Fund in carrying out necessary improvements at once. To continue making the suggested allocations from their annual revenue appeared to him to involve the cutting down of vital improvement schemes and necessary public works, the hindering of their efforts to safeguard the health of the people and the delaying of the provision of means for their education, in order that in some distant future, posterity might have money to spend on works which they should now be constructing for them.

A Warning.

Sir Hayes Marriott, Colonial Secretary, said he would utter one warning. Although China might be producing opium 20 years hence our sources of opium might be cut away before that time and when it was suggested that the \$40 millions which had been put away should be spent in capital expenditure for works that might be very much needed it had to be remembered that was not going to give any revenue to replace the opium revenue.

"BROTHERHOOD."

MOVE BY BRITISH LABOUR
EXTREMISTS.

London, Oct. 17.

Tu-day's "Daily Mail" says the eighteen prominent labourites, including Mr. Hutchison, a former Chairman of the Party, Mr. Cook, Mr. Ben Tillett, Mr. Tom Mann, Mr. James Maxton and Mr. Pollitt, have formed a national committee to "cement the brotherhood between English and Russian workers."

They are appealing for funds to send a British delegation of fifty to the tenth anniversary celebrations of the Bolshevik revolution.

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The "Shanghai Mercury" correspondent at Chengtu writes on October 12:—

With streets gaily decorated and a general holiday spirit prevailing, the anniversary of the founding of the Chinese Republic was fitly celebrated here. The business men took advantage of the occasion and made elaborate displays in their shops. At night the New Street, almost twice as wide as Nanking Road, Shanghai, entirely covered with a cloth awning and hung with flags and lanterns, was alive with sightseers. Literally thousands from city and country, men and women, rich and poor, have visited the business district during the celebrations. These events will doubtless eventually supplant the Temple-doll processions.

Contrasts are striking in the emerging of the democratic spirit in the Chinese Republic. For instance, the Mint was thrown open for several days for the inspection of the public, a thing unheard of in former years. The public parks were wide open and thronged.

Another contrast of a different kind was the hearty welcome given foreigners by the big military chieftains at the Foreign Office, and then their tacit consent to the exhibition on the streets of an effigy representing Great Britain as a criminal with a list of alleged crimes proclaimed. However, the "strike down" posters were not in evidence this time.

The celebration of the Foreign Office was really interesting. Military officials, high and low, were present, with a good sprinkling of civil dignitaries. Also a delegate from Tibet and all the foreign men resident here. General Liu Wen-hui gave the opening speech of welcome, and General Den Shi-heo invited all to drink to the health of the Republic. Then followed speeches from representatives of America, Great Britain, France and Japan (the latter a Chinese), after which the national anthems of each of these countries was played by the military band. The usual picture was taken, followed by a feast and flow of sociability and fellowship. One would not take it from the cordiality of this reception that there was a "war on"; certainly there is nothing "on" in this section of the great Republic.

ALLEGED MURDER.

BURMESE PRIEST COMMITTED
FOR TRIAL IN RANGOON.

Phongyi U. Einda, who was arrested on a charge of murdering a Chinaman in 20th Street was committed by the Third Additional Magistrate, Rangoon, to the High Court sessions for trial.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11	Per
Japan & Shanghai	11	Macedonia.
Shanghai	12	Suiyang.
Straits	13	Hakusan Maru.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	13	Pres. Lincoln.
Manila	14	Emp. of Asia.
Manila	14	Pres. Grant.
Australia & Manila	17	Tango Maru.
Japan & Shanghai	18	Suwa Maru.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	21	Emp. of Canada.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	21	Pres. Polk.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	22	Pres. Cleveland.
Japan	22	Mishima Maru.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12	Per
Hohow, Pakhoi & Hapohong	9 a.m.	Tean
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Noon	Hai Ching
Fort Bayard	1.30 p.m.	Yan On
Manila	3.30 p.m.	Pawlet
Weihsaiwei	3.30 p.m.	Cheongshing
Formosa, Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu & San Francisco—due San Francisco, 9th Dec. & Europe via Siberia	5 p.m.	Korea Maru
Amoy	5 p.m.	Amoy
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	9 a.m.	Kaifu Maru
Bangkok via Swatow	9 a.m.	Kwangchow
Shanghai	10.30 a.m.	Hakusan Maru
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 28th Nov. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (16th Nov.) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	10.30 a.m.	Taiping
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Noon	Hai Hong
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 16th Dec. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letter 2.30 p.m.	Noon	Calchas.

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BRITISH POLICY

Review of Foreign Affairs.

COMMON CIVILISATION.

Work Of Appeasement And Reconciliation.

Rugby, Yesterday.
In accordance with practice the Prime Minister devoted a large part of his speech at the Guildhall banquet last night to a review of foreign affairs.

He said that Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy, protagonists in the struggle of yesterday, now met as equals and partners to advance the cause of peace and our common civilisation. He claimed for his country and for its Government some share in this great work of appeasement and of reconciliation.

"But those for whom difficulties were greatest and to whom therefore greatest credit is due are those persons living in France and Germany who have rendered this rapprochement possible. All Europe honour them and pay a tribute to the services which they have rendered not only to Europe but to humanity. They have lit the candle; they have set an example; and all Europe looks toward those other frontiers whose ancient enmities are still unquenchable and where the ashes of old quarrels, old fears, suspicions, and hatred still smoulder or have burst once more into flames, and all Europe asks where next will a statesman be found with the courage and breadth of vision of Dr. Stresemann and the broad humanity and devotion to peace of Monsieur Briand? What country in the Balkans in Central or Eastern Europe will be the first to follow their example and to earn like fame? I am an idealist and, therefore, an optimist. Where the road is so clearly marked I refuse to believe that progress is beyond our reach."

Russia.
Mr. Baldwin wished he could speak equally hopefully of Russia with which the Government had ceased diplomatic relations in circumstances similar to those which had dictated the recent decision of the Trade Union Congress and jeopardised the continuance of diplomatic relations between France and Russia and had prevented the United States from attempting such relations.

With the domestic affairs of Russia Great Britain had no concern. Whenever they were prepared to observe decenties of international intercourse, to abstain from interference in Britain's domestic affairs, and from a policy of intrigue, they would find her ready to meet them in that spirit of liberality and goodwill which inspired Britain's whole foreign policy.

Friend With Egypt.
China, the Prime Minister referred to the late visit of King Faud of Egypt and the more recent visit of the Egyptian Prime Minister. He proceeded:

"The British Government have availed themselves of these visits to discuss fully with His Excellency the relations of our two countries. Both have reason to be satisfied with the course of these conversations. We hope they have laid foundations on which we may presently build a firm structure of British-Egyptian friendship."

Overseas Tours.
Referring to his own visit in company with the Prince of Wales and Prince George to Canada, to the Indian flight of the Secretary for Air, to the approaching journey of the Minister for War to India, and to the visit to all the Dominions which the Secretary for the Colonies was now undertaking, Mr. Baldwin said they must be regarded as a reciprocal effort by Ministers at Home in response to the visits to Britain by the overseas Ministers attending the Imperial Conference of last year.

India's Problem.
Regarding the Indian Statutory Commission, Mr. Baldwin said that the problem was to improve and extend the steps taken eight years ago to make the Indian peoples themselves acting partners of their own destinies. It was a problem of vast extent and difficult, and the issue would be vital not only to India but to the Empire and, indeed, to civilisation.—British Wireless Service.

The properties which were yesterday reported stolen from the Italian Convent Chapel, in St. Francis Yard, have been recovered in a Wanchai pawnshop.

INDIAN REFORMS.

INDIAN LEADERS AND NEW COMMISSION.

A LABOUR "COMMUNIQUE."

Delhi, Yesterday.
The Liberal Party leader, Sir Tej Sapru announces his intention of advising the Party not to co-operate with the Statutory Commission. Naren Dra Nath, the Hindu leader in the Punjab, says that the Hindu of those provinces in which they have a majority cannot afford to boycott Commission.—Reuter.

Labour Party's Attitude.
London, Yesterday.
The Parliamentary Labour Party, in a "communique" regrets that the procedure with regard to the appointment of the Statutory Commission does not afford the fullest opportunity for an expression of Indian opinion.

The Party intends, during the discussion in Parliament, to get the proposals amended, and, so give a more direct voice in the deliberations to the Indians. Legislatures Joint Select Committees.—Reuter.

Appeal to the Viceroy.
New Delhi, Yesterday.
Ansari, the President Elect of the Indian National Congress, has requested Lord Irwin (the Viceroy) to urge the Home Government to substitute for the Statutory Commission a round-table Anglo-Indian Conference. He says the differences between the Governments of India and Great Britain on the one hand and the people of India on the other are too fundamental to allow of the people to stand aloof from the Commission's work.—Reuter.

NOBEL PRIZES.

AWARDS BY SWEDISH ACADEMY.

AN ITALIAN NOVELIST.

Stockholm, Yesterday.
The Swedish Academy has awarded the Nobel Prize for literature for 1926 to an Italian woman novelist, Grazia Deledda, whose works dealt chiefly with peasant life in Sardinia.—Reuter.

Stockholm, later.
The Nobel Physics Prize has been divided between Mr. Arthur Compton (Chicago) for his discovery of the Compton process and Mr. C. T. Wilson (Cambridge) for his method of serving electrified particles.—Reuter.

WAR DEBTS.

ALLIES AND THE FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS.

RUSSIA STANDS ABOVE.

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Winston Churchill, replying to questions regarding the war debts due to Great Britain, said that the funding arrangements had now been signed by all the Allies, except Russia.

Arrangement was also made for full repayment of all relief debts with interest, except Austria, which postponed it for 20 years from 1923, and Armenia now part of the Soviet.—Reuter.

KENYA COLONY.

LOAN OF FIVE MILLIONS STERLING.

Rugby, Yesterday.
The Kenya Government five per cent. inscribed stock loan for five million pounds will be issued on Monday next by the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

The loan will be repayable in 1958, but the Colonial Government retains the option of redeeming it in 1948 or any subsequent year.

The price is fixed at 99½ and the first full half year's dividend will be payable on July 15, 1928. The loan is one in which trustees are authorised to invest.—British Wireless Service.

FLYING BOATS.

QUARTETTE ARRIVE AT BASRA.

Basra, Yesterday.
The four R.A.F. flying boats have arrived here.—Reuter.

"Red Rose" in Trouble.
Bagdad, Yesterday.
The "Red Rose" has made a forced landing, owing to magneto trouble, on the site of ancient Uruk of the Chaldees. Two R.A.F. machines have left here with mechanics to carry out repairs.—Reuter.

ANOTHER FLARE.

Over Franco-Yugoslav Treaty.

ITALY AGGRIEVED.

"Calculated to Cause Balkan Trouble."

London, Wednesday.
After negotiations dating back to March, 1926, the Franco-Yugoslav Treaty of Friendship is expected to be signed in Paris today.

It is reported from Rome that a strong feeling has been aroused in Italy regarding this as the Treaty is regarded as unfriendly to Italy, antagonistic to the League of Nations and calculated to make trouble in the Balkans, where France is now bound to Roumania and Yugoslavia, whilst the Treaty is expected to draw Italy closer to Hungary and Bulgaria.

Surprise in Paris.

Paris, Wednesday.
An authoritative statement expresses surprise at the Italian criticisms of the Treaty. It declares that no clause is directed against the League and points out that France is not responsible for Italy's failure to conclude a similar Treaty with Belgrade. Demonstrations in Belgrade.

Belgrade, Wednesday.
Imposing demonstrations in honour of France are being prepared on the occasion of the signature of the Franco-Yugoslav pact.—Reuter.

U. S. NAVY.

THREE LARGE SUBMARINES FOR PACIFIC.

IMPORTANT LAUNCHING.

Washington, Wednesday.
The Navy Department has ordered the Navy's three largest submarines, V1, V2, and V3 to the Pacific Coast for a permanent station there. The Department explains that no significance is to be attached to this. V4 is to be launched next week. It is believed to be the largest submersible ever constructed.—Reuter's American Service.

U. S. NAVY.

LARGEST SUBMARINE IN WORLD.

SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH.

Portsmouth, (New Hampshire), Yesterday.
The largest submarine in the world V4 the first overseas mine-layer built for the United States has been launched. She carries a crew of eight officers and 80 men.—Reuter's American Service.

WAR AREAS.

REVIEW OF WORK SINCE 1918.

Paris, Yesterday.
The chamber has passed the Budget for war wasted regions. The Minister for Public Works stated that 98 per cent. of the fields had been repaired and 67 per cent. of estates, 88 per cent. of works, 76 per cent. of public buildings, 84 per cent. of roads, and 99 per cent. of canals had been rebuilt.—Havas.

MARCONI CO.

REDUCTION OF CAPITAL CONFIRMED.

London, Yesterday.
In the Chancery Division the Judge has confirmed the reduction of the Marconi Company's capital.—Reuter.

B. A. T. MAN MURDERED.

Hankow, Nov. 3.
The British-American Tobacco Company are offering a reward of \$5,000 to anyone producing evidence leading to the arrest and conviction for murder of the person responsible for the death of the Chinese dealer who was murdered on October 31 by members of the "B. A. T. Union" because he had purchased 17 cases of cigarettes from the firm. The Chinese version is that the dealer's death was due to "sickness."

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